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A STALEMATE

HOSTILITIES IN CANTON MAY BE AVERTED

BACK TO NANKING

Situation Reported To Be Quiet on Yangtze River

[By Our Political Correspondent]

A stalemate having supervened in the Ironsides and Canton campaign for more than a week, the defenders have taken such action whereby it is hoped by the people that actual hostilities in either Kwangtung of Kwangai will be averted.

The sum and substance of latest developments is that the two leading Cantonese Commanders in the field have wheeled about for home. Simultaneously, it is announced that the Northern division sent down overseas by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to reinforce the Cantonese is to march back overland to Nanking!

ALARMIST REPORTS REDUCED

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The situation on the Yangtze River is quiet. The newspapers (in this part of China) which published alarmist reports a few days ago have considerably reduced their tone.—British Naval Wireless.

The Present Situation

General Chan Chai-tong (Commander-in-Chief) and Admiral Chan Chak (Commanding the Nationalist Navy in Kwangtung) both left Wuchow yesterday. Wuchow is on the West River and is the port of Kwangsi. The two Chans went up over a week ago in order to direct operations against (a) the Ironsides if they dared to enter the heart of the Two Kwangs and (b) the "rebel" division of Kwangsi troops under General Li Ming-shui, re-

vice against the "Christian General's" Kuominchun in the north-west.

Averting a Crisis

Matters in the North are coming to a head although those who make it their business to become peace-makers on such occasions have not given up hope of averting a crisis.

Just as some of the Kuominchun units have moved out as if to threaten the National Government, so have some units in the National Army been mobilised to counter an attack; but an actual state of war is not yet in being.

Nevertheless, the dispute in the North has overshadowed the Ironsides' venture in the South and less pessimism—if much existed at all—is felt in Canton as to the outcome.

SIR ROBT. HO TUNG

ANOTHER ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE SUGGESTED

SUFFERINGS OF CHINESE

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Sir Robert Ho Tung has addressed the following telegram to Chiang Kai-shek, Yen Hsi-shan, Feng Yu-shiang, and Chang Hsueh-liang:

Gentlemen:—In view of the disquieting news concerning military movements reported in the local newspapers during the past few days, I feel it my duty to address this appeal to you for your most sympathetic consideration.

As many parts of the country are devastated by famine ravages, the sufferings which will befall the people with the outbreak of another internal war are inconceivable, and it is almost certain the destiny of the Chinese Republic will be jeopardised.

Words of Wisdom

During my recent tour I had the privilege of conversing with each of you, and your words of wisdom, which I heard with deep appreciation, made me realise more convincingly than ever that all of you have close at heart the interests of the country, and the development of her trade and industries.

That unfortunate developments have recently taken place is, I believe, the result of differences in political views, which have created various misunderstandings.

It is my humble opinion that if all you gentlemen will meet at a round table conference, and engage in a frank discussion of the issues at stake, I have no doubt that all the knotty problems you are facing will be solved by pacific ways.

Being an ardent lover of peace, without ulterior motives, I have always advocated peaceable methods of adjusting differences among leaders of the Republic.

I may recall the fact that my advocacy of a round-table conference has met with your esteemed approbation, and the plan to me is still perfectly feasible.

As the situation is becoming increasingly grave, you will indeed

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A WIDOW'S ESTATE

MRS. A. CHRISTIANSEN OF KOWLOON

GUARDIAN FOR DAUGHTER

Mrs. Alice Christiansen, a widow, who died of heart failure at the age of 45 on July 20, 1929, at No. 42, Humphreys-building, Kowloon, left no will. Letters of administration to her estate have now been granted by the Supreme Court to Mr. Wallace John Hansen, import and export merchant, of No. 7, Queen's-road Central.

The estate has been sworn for duty at \$8,300.

The only next of kin is a daughter, Miss Edna Elizabeth Christiansen, who is 17 years of age. Mr. Hansen has been appointed her lawful guardian by the Court, to administer the estate for her benefit until she reaches the age of 21.

BOUND FOR CANADA

CHEERING CROWDS SEE MACDONALDS OFF

AMBASSADORS' VISITS

New York, Yesterday.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Miss Isabel left for Canada today and were given at ovation by crowds at the station at Washington.

The French Ambassador, on M. Briand's instructions, expressed to Mr. Stimson the satisfaction of the French Government at the success of Mr. MacDonald's visit. Mr. Stimson later stated that the Ambassador's message was in the friendliest terms, and added that the Italian Ambassador also called and made friendly enquiries as regards Mr. MacDonald's visit, but did not deliver any message from the Italian Government.—Reuter.

Halifax Naval Base

New York, Yesterday.

Great interest is being taken in the forthcoming conversations between Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. MacKenzie King at Kingsmere, Ottawa.

It is generally believed they will deal with some matter still being negotiated between Mr. MacDonald and President Hoover, which is important to Canada.

It is indeed rumoured that the main consideration at Kingsmere will be the dismantling of the Naval Base at Halifax, Nova Scotia.—Reuter's American Service.

SOVIET ACCEPTS

PROTOCOL NOW TO GO BEFORE PARLIAMENT

FINAL SETTLEMENT

London, Yesterday.

A communication from the Soviet has been received in London accepting the Protocol concluded between Mr. Henderson and M. Dovgalevsky. This, both Governments have accepted the Protocol, and the matter will now come before Parliament.—Reuter.

Procedure Approved.

London, Yesterday.

The Norwegian Minister at Moscow has been notified by the Soviet Commissary of Foreign Affairs, for the information of the British Government, that the Protocol signed in London by Mr. Henderson, British Foreign Secretary, and M. Dovgalevsky, Soviet Envoy, regarding the procedure for the resumption of Anglo-Russian relations, has been approved by the Council of Soviet Union of People's Commissaries.—British Wireless Service.

One well-known firm of produce brokers, however, refuses to be dismayed by the latest statistics, and argues that too much importance is being attached to the most recent monthly figures.

Actual Production

Net Malayan exports for the ten months since the removal of the Restriction Scheme, they say, have amounted to 409,000 tons, and as this includes accumulations of 80,000 tons, the actual production during this period has been 329,000 tons, or an average of 32,900 tons monthly.

There would be nothing much to worry about should this supposition prove to be correct, particularly when it is remembered that American consumption during the same period has averaged 41,500 tons per month.

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TRUTH ABOUT RUBBER EXPORTS

A COLD DOUCHE

RECENT INCREASES SURPRISE THE MARKET

HEAVY SHIPMENTS

There are numerous speculations with regard to the actual capacity for rubber in Malaya, and further heavy shipments in future are being prophesied.

The August return of rubber exports from Malaya administered another cold douche to rubber investors, the total of 50,441 tons comparing with 46,464 tons in July and 40,393 tons in June.

With the exception of January, the latest shipment is the heaviest of the year, and it would now seem that the earlier estimates of the productive capacity of Malaya.

RUBBER WARNING

Selling At Present Prices Dangerous

It is understood that the committee for promoting the interests of the Netherlands rubber producers, established eighteen months ago, has invited its constituents to meet in Amsterdam on Oct. 22 to consider a draft scheme.

Although it is too early to place any reliance on the successful outcome of any suggested scheme, it is nevertheless true that certain sections of the market are rather nervous and covering of short commitments has been in evidence.

In the opinion of a leading New York broker short selling at present prices is extremely dangerous, and it may be that with an improved state of the money market the price will firm up before the year ends and give us a much more cheerful market both in the commodity and shares. For the meantime, however, shares are quiet and little or no business is passing.

The committee estimates that world production in 1930 will not satisfy consumption, and therefore proposes the creation of a reserve of 45,000 tons or approximately 10 per cent. of the production of British, French and Dutch rubber enterprises under European control, which will be controlled by a central selling organisation, for release at a price to be fixed later, thus raising the normal price for producers. The committee disclaim a desire to antagonise American consumers.

based on the statistics for May and June, must again be revised.

Following the gradual decline which occurred during the first six months of the year, the increases now recorded have surprised the market.

Cause Conjectured

It is possible, of course, that a certain amount of rubber was held up inside Malaya two or three months ago in the expectation of higher prices, and that these supplies have now been released in view of the adverse trend of the commodity market.

Although this and various other explanations are being put forward, Mincing Lane, as a whole, is none too confident of the immediate outlook, and is already prophesying further heavy exports for this and next month.

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QUEEN OF THE AIR

LONDONERS THRILLED BY R101'S FLIGHT

A SAFE RETURN

London, Yesterday.

The R.101 returned to Cardington and safely moored at 4.16 p.m.

First Trial Flight

The R.101 left her mooring mast at 11.20 a.m. for her first trial flight. The R.101 afterwards passed over London, flying low. Many thousands of Londoners got a very clear view.

The airship was escorted by two aeroplanes, and followed the Thames from Westminster to St. Paul's.

The crew comprises 39, and there are 14 passengers aboard.

It is estimated that half a million people journeyed to Cardington over the week-end to see the R.101 tied to her mooring mast.

The airship is expected to pass over London this afternoon on her first test flight. Major Scott, who in 1919 crossed and recrossed the Atlantic in command of the R.34, is commanding operations.—Reuter.

Like a Big Liner

London, To-day.

It was a wonderfully successful conclusion of yesterday's five hour flight, declared Major Scott at the test of the R.101. The ship was in every way satisfactory, and cruised for 68 miles an hour with only three engines running. The engines were extraordinarily quiet. Passengers took lunch on board under conditions resembling the saloon of a big liner, but with less vibration.—Reuter.

LINER AGROUND

CANADIAN PACIFIC BOAT ON THE ROCKS

ALL PASSENGERS SAFE

Victoria, B.C., Yesterday.

The Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of Canada," from Scotland to Vancouver, ran on the rocks in Homers Bay, in the straits of Juan de Fuca, last night. There was a heavy fog at the time.

The passengers were safely landed, but the ship is hard aground.—Reuter.

[The "Empress of Canada" left Hong Kong on November 28 last year for Scotland for a thorough overhaul, as a result of which it will be reinforced, her speed was said to have increased. She left Southampton for New York on September 18 and sailed from the latter port ten days later for Vancouver where she was due on October 15.]

Apparently she arrived at Vancouver according to schedule and was just approaching Victoria when she ran aground in the fog.

During the period the "Empress of Canada" was in dock, the "Empress of France" took over the Pacific run. She left Hong Kong a few days ago for Canada to return to the Atlantic service.

The "Empress of Canada" was scheduled to leave Victoria on October 17 for the Orient, being due on November 5.]

"WELL DONE"

AUSTRALIA PRAISED BY "DAILY HERALD"

SENSATIONAL VICTORY

London, Yesterday.

The "Daily Herald," in a leader "Well Done, Australia," says that Mr. Scullin and his colleagues will bring to a new type of Imperial problem (that of securing world peace), a new type of Imperial mind.

A "Financial Times" message from Sydney says that Labour's sensational victory has caused perturbation in financial circles, as they are not certain how far the new Government will go in pursuit of the Party's declared financial policy regarding loan raising, reconstruction, and the Commonwealth Bank.

A Melbourne report says that Parliament will probably re-assemble between November 13 and 20.—Reuter.

MANCHURIAN WAR

RUSSIANS OCCUPY TOWN NEAR BORDER

600 SAILORS DROWNED

Mukden, Yesterday.

The Russian occupation of the town of Lahusu, on Sunday, is officially admitted.

The Chinese lost three gunboats which were sunk while 500 sailors were drowned.

The Russian losses are claimed to be about equal.—Reuter.

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JAIL FOR KOWLOON PRAM THIEF

GOOD POLICE WORK

EUROPEAN LADIES WHO SELL THEIR PRAMS

HARD LABOUR SENTENCE

Resulting from good police work on the part of Detective-Sergeant W. G. Humphreys and party, two Chinese men, named Cheung Tim (20) and Cheung Kwai (21) made their appearance before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, being arrested yesterday.

The first defendant was charged with—

(1) stealing a perambulator the property of Mrs. Park, from the hallway of 12, Empress Lodge, on July 3; stealing another perambulator, the property of Mrs. Larcombe, from the hallway of the ground floor of 25, Carnarvon-road, on July 3; receiving, knowing to be stolen, one bassinet, the property of Mrs. Othen, of 15, Cameron-road.

The charge against the second defendant was stealing one bassinet, value \$40.00, the property of Mrs. Othen.

First defendant admitted all the offences.

His Worship remarked that seeing the defendant had pleaded guilty to both the charges of theft, the charge of receiving would become the more serious. There seemed to be an epidemic of stealing perambulators. Only last night there was one stolen from Queen's Gardens.

Detective Sergt. Humphreys: I'll ask your Worship to make a special penalty in view of this.

Pointing out that the defendant had two months' hard labour in August this year for stealing, His Worship passed sentence of four months' jail, with hard labour, on each charge, the sentences to run consecutively, thus making it one year in all.

Dealing with the case against the second defendant, the prosecuting officer told his Worship that the only evidence of stealing the bassinet was that of the defendant who was already convicted and sentenced.

The evidence against the second defendant having failed, His Worship accordingly discharged him.

The next point was the restoring of the prams to their respective owners. Sergeant Humphreys said that the defendant had sold them to a marine hawk who had later resold them to individual Chinese buyers. It was a custom among the European married ladies of Kowloon to send their amahs out to sell their perambulators when their children got too old for them.

It was stated that the perambulators exhibited in Court had been sold to Chinese people, and therefore it would be a fair arrangement if the European lady complainants would buy back their own prams, and thus settle the matter.

Sergeant Humphreys said that the Chinese who bought perambulators from marine hawkers were never certain whether they were stolen or just old ones sold to the dealer.

OFFICER STRUCK

IMPRISONMENT FOR K.O.S.R. PRIVATE

PTE. STEWART AND SGT. DOIG

The case against Pte. Stewart, of the 2nd Bn. King's Own Scottish Borderers, for striking a "superior" officer was decided yesterday.

Pte. W. Stewart was tried by a District Court Martial on Friday last at Murray Barracks. The charge against him was that whilst being an absentee, he struck Sgt. Doig, of the same battalion, on the night of June 8. Sgt. Doig was then on military police duty.

Pte. Stewart had been adjudged guilty and was sentenced to 28 days' imprisonment.

London, Yesterday.—It is announced that Italy has accepted "without hesitation" the invitation to the Five-Power Naval Conference to be held in London in January. It is stated authoritatively that she is ready to dispense limitation of all kinds of craft, including submarines.—Reuter.

SALE OF ICE

The Sale of Ice in Canton has not been very encouraging but steps have already been taken for a wider distribution and we hope to show better results next year.

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CANTON ICE CO.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD TO-DAY

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual general meeting followed by the Extraordinary meeting of the Hong Kong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., was held this morning at the premises of the Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., when the reports and accounts were read and passed unanimously.

Those that attended both the meetings were:—Mr. J. P. Warren (Chairman), Mr. R. E. Coxon (Director), Mr. H. Kom-tong (Director), Mr. M. Manuk (Secretary), Mr. A. Stevenson (Manager). The shareholders were represented by Messrs. W. Macfarlane, J. F. Grouse, Chan Nai-pan, Chan Iu-nam, and Chan Pun-ko.

The Chairman (Mr. J. P. Warren) read the Report and Accounts, and it was seconded by Mr. J. F. Grouse and then passed unanimously. He said:

The result of the year's working shows a gross profit of \$19,225.78 as against \$19,703.72 last year.

As nothing has been written off the values of the Machinery and Property for the past 7 years your Directors have decided, as you will observe from the Accounts, to allow for depreciations for the period mentioned a sum amounting to \$149,039.78.

Essential Step

Your Directors consider that such a step is essential in order to give a true idea of the Company's affairs and in making these allowances a conservative figure has been adhered to.

Your General Managers have not been paid for their services since the inception of the Company, nor have they been paid any commission on profits as provided for in the Company's Articles therefore your Directors have voted them a lump sum of \$5,000 to cover above, which you will agree is a very small consideration and represents only one year's remuneration without commission.

I may also mention that your Directors have not received any

MODERATE TO FINE

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: Pressure is highest over S. Manchuria and relatively low in a trough, extending from S. Annam across the Philippines, to the Ladroneas. A depression covers Hokkaido.

The depression or typhoon in the China Sea appears to have filled up.

Forecast:—N. E. winds; moderate to fine.

The following telegram has been received by the American consulate from Manila Observatory.

12.05 p.m.

The 15th Typhoon, in about 126 degree Long. E. and 16 degree Lat. N. is moving W.N.W.

fees. The debit balance brought forward from last year viz.: \$23,904.56 plus the sum of \$19,039.73 written off, less \$12,457.59 Profit without depreciation made for the year gives a net loss of \$160,486.40 which it is proposed to carry forward to the debit of next year's account.

During the year under review the loan from your General Managers was reduced by a further sum of \$10,000 leaving a net balance of \$5,000 still owing out of the original loan of \$40,000.

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THE DRAW for SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS will take place at the Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay, on TUESDAY, 15th instant, at 5 p.m.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th October, 1929.

**HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.**

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C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th Oct., 1929.

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THE "BOTNIA" PIRACY.**Vivid Account of Five-Days' Captivity****LITTLE CLOTHES****Mr. Westerheim En Route To Shanghai**

Telegraphic advices were received in Shanghai on Sept. 28, by Messrs. Wallem & Co., agents for the Norwegian str. "Botnia," which was looted and pirated near Haichow several weeks ago after she had gone aground and the officers of which were kidnapped to the effect that Mr. H. Westerheim, chief officer of the "Botnia," was leaving Chenkiangong by the Ewo str. "Yusang" and that he was badly wounded. The company was asked to send a motor car to Woosung and to arrange for Mr. Westerheim's admittance to hospital.

Propped up in bed, his head and feet swathed in bandages, his every movement giving vivid evidence of suffering from his pain wracked body, Capt. Aksel. Haarland, the kidnapped master, haltingly related to a "North China Daily News" reporter the graphic story of his closest brush with death in 45 years aboard ship.

The story of the capture and indignities suffered on this 64-year old skipper and his more youthful chief officer reads like a tale from a lurid piece of fiction and makes it difficult to believe that it could have happened in a country which has world recognition and claims to be able to protect foreigners within its confines.

After close confinement with little or no food for five days, minus his clothing which had been taken to prevent escape, and after having had a heavy rock crashed down upon his head and being left for dead under the cross fire of his captors and his would-be rescuers in a drenching rain in the mist of early morning, Capt. Haarland believes it a miracle that he is alive to-day.

A Fortunate Escape

He thinks back over the night of his escape with difficulty and during the telling of the events he pauses in wonderment trying to account for his lucky escape.

"All I could see were the flashes of the rifles around me," he said; "I could not tell whether they were from my friends or enemies. Westerheim was up ahead somewhere with the larger party of pirates. I shouted to him and the crowd around me struck me and told me to keep quiet. I thought I would be killed sure. I didn't know from which side the bullets were coming, but everyone was firing and I seemed to be in the middle of it."

"I shouted again to Westerheim and one of the men near me tried to choke me. I was in my underwear with no shoes and it was raining heavily. I was tired after five days of little sleep but I tried to fight him back. I shouted again and most of them grew afraid we should be detected and they left me to run up ahead with the others. But one stayed and he tried to throttle me. I tried to fight him back, but I was no match and I fell to the ground. Then he picked up a big rock and crashed it down on my head. I don't know much about what happened after that. I came to some time later and found I was in a pool of blood from two holes in my head. How I had escaped the full force of the blow I don't know, but I found a bad gash on my left thumb and I think I must have my hands up when I fell down."

"It was morning then. I was all alone. I found a path leading down off the small hill on which we were and I got down as best I could toward a house I saw in the distance. Then I saw a woman. I shouted to her but I was so weak, she didn't hear me. I had to sit down every few feet and I knew I was badly hurt. I kept shouting to her and finally attracted her attention."

The Kindly Country-folk

"She led me to a house in a small village and went to call some men. When they came they laid me down and gave me food and attention. They were fine to me. They did everything they could and I am very grateful to them."

"Then I got down to Haichow and in the Presbyterian Hospital and was treated. But I would like to know where Westerheim is, I hear he is in a temple on a hill and the gang is surrounded. I hope he gets out all right."

"The rock he hit me with was just a little smaller than a football and I think it is a miracle that I was

not killed outright. He thought I was and he left me for dead."

Thus does Capt. Haarland go over the events and his blue eyes shine out from the mass of bandages with a fervour that leaves him exhausted after the telling.

He has been told that he can leave the hospital after a week or two but for some time he will be unable to do any continuous work. Such heavy injuries as he received take their greater toll on a man past 60 than one of fewer years.

Chief Officer Westerheim is 34 and Capt. Haarland describes him as "young and well built, he could give them a fight but we were two against 21 and we hadn't had any decent food for five days."

Capt. Haarland supplies the details of the piracy as follows:

"Probably Deserted Soldiers

"We had left the Kwan Ho Ko salt works and were standing up the Yangtze with a full cargo. I was on the bridge with my chief officer and the pilot when about mid-day I felt her slide on a mud bar. We reversed the engines but could not pull ourselves off and the pilot warned me that we might have trouble as the district was full of brigands."

"So I advised him to go back to bring up soldiers and just after he left we saw a big pirate junk dead ahead coming for us. They were firing rifles and making a terrible noise. We could see 21 of them all heavily armed and the rifles and belts all looked like army equipment. Some of them had portions of uniforms on and I thought they were deserters from their equipment."

"They boarded us and came up on the bridge. Westerheim and I couldn't do much, we were two against 21 and we thought it better to humour them for to have shown opposition would have meant certain death."

"They spent the whole afternoon going through the ship looting and wrecking everything they saw. They held pistols up against us and they made us help them carry much of the stuff to their junk."

"They wrecked the chart house. They took our charts and simply tore them to bits and threw them on the floor. They took our personal belongings and when my watch was shown around the ship to the others they came up and demanded one like it. I explained I only had one but it did no good and they became abusive. They cleaned everything out and acted like children. What they didn't want they smashed up and threw overboard."

"Then they paraded us aboard their junk and we sailed down river. They had the second mate, the steward, the compradore and one or two others. They soon took them away somewhere else and we didn't see them again."

We stopped a few times and took on food and water and at different places they unloaded stuff. At one place they took on a freshly killed pig and they all bowed to its head in some sort of a religious ceremony."

"We were on the coast throughout Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and all the time they had us below in a narrow compartment lying on a bunk. The place was closed and only about three feet in height so that we could not sit upright. Two armed men were with us all the time and if we attempted to talk they threatened us with pistols."

"On Monday someone came aboard and they had a conference. We could hear that. Then suddenly they hoisted anchor and we sailed away. Tuesday noon we anchored, again and that night we were roughly hauled up on deck and loaded on a sampan. Meanwhile they had taken our clothes and shoes and when we came on deck it was raining. I had found an old sort of coat without buttons and all I had under this was my underwear."

"We reached shore and waded through a half mile of marsh and alme before we struck a dry place. This was a field and we started overland avoiding all roads and paths. It was pitch dark, my feet were cut in a dozen places, the rain was terrible and a wind came up. Why I did not catch pneumonia I can't understand."

"We were wading streams and ditches for some time and finally we came to a small hill with a house at the base. The gang entered this house and started a fire and I thought we could get a rest when

firing started in the vicinity and they quickly made us get up and start out again."

"There was more hurrying and I was getting so weary I could have dropped any minutes. They had bayonets on their rifles and they kept prodding us with these. Then we came to another hill and we ran up this and found a house at the top."

"Again the firing broke out behind us and the gang was broken up. Westerheim was up ahead with most of the pirates and I was behind because I could not hurry like the others. Then the firing came around us and I shouted several times and most of them near me grew afraid and ran on ahead with the others."

"Then this one tried to choke me and I fell down and he hit me. I told you what happened after that. I was rescued by soldiers of the magistrate at Panpu and received some treatment for my head. Then I got down to Haichow and now I am here. But I would like to know about Westerheim. I hope they haven't taken their revenge on him."

Capt. Haarland has been for 34 years in the employ of the William Hansen Co., of Bergen, Norway, owners of the "Botnia." He has a wife and three children in Norway. He came to China in 1924 for his employers after serving them in all quarters of the globe.

Capt. Haarland reached Shanghai on the str. "Yav." He was in such a condition that he was taken to the hospital immediately and will be confined there for some time. His feet are badly swollen and infected from the numerous cuts and bruises he received, there are many abrasions on his body and his head is thickly bandaged. It is difficult to believe that anyone but a half-savage could treat this gray haired man in the way he has been treated.

Asked if he had any inclination to go up river again, he smiled wistfully, shrugged his shoulders, and said, "Don't you think I've had enough?"

CAR HITS TIGER**MOTORIST'S ADVENTURE ON
INDIAN ROAD**

While motoring at Glen Morgan, fourteen miles from Ootacamund, in Southern India, Mr. A. H. Jackman met three fully grown tigers in the centre of the road.

It was a pitch-dark night and very misty, and Mr. Jackman first thought the animals to be jackals. When he realised they were tigers he pressed the accelerator, hoping the tigers would scatter as he advanced. The car caught one of the animals full force on the hindquarters, knocking it down and running over it.

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In response to the advertisement which he inserted in the "Times," asking for authentic information as to living centenarians in the British Isles, Dr. Maurice Ernest, Secretary of the Centenarian Club, 93, Cromwell-road, South Kensington, has received communications concerning about twenty persons who have lived to be a hundred; fifteen being women and five men. They are mostly in country districts, and are widely spread over the Kingdom.

Dr. Ernest estimates that the number of centenarians now surviving in the British Isles, including N. and S. Ireland, totals approximately 200. He has received a large number of letters from people who are anxious to join the club, the object of whose members is to live to be a hundred. Many have written from Germany and Switzerland and other parts of the Continent.

"You would be surprised," said Dr. Ernest to a representative of "The Observer" recently, "at the number of people who are anxious to be long-lived. Even young people of twenty-five write to me and speak as if they were on the verge of becoming centenarians, and express a wish to perpetuate their existence on this globe. It is curious to note that it is chiefly the men and not women who are most interested in living long, although women, as a rule, live longer than men. Even young men between twenty and thirty years of age write to me, wishing to know the secret of how to become centenarians."

Dr. Ernest recalled that this is not the first unofficial census of the kind that has been undertaken. In 1880 the late Sir George Humphry, the president of the British Medical Association, made a similar suggestion when addressing the annual meeting, and he sent out to thousands of doctors a questionnaire, the result of which was to show that there were 63 centenarians then alive in the British Isles. The data collected showed that there were more women of hundred who had been married and had had families than otherwise.

The average expectation of life had, said Dr. Ernest, undoubtedly gone up in the past fifty years, owing to hygienic and other improvements; but while more people lived to an advanced age now than formerly, the latest figures showed that there were actually fewer centenarians than thirty or forty years ago. This might be due to the fact that the Census authorities were now more strict than they were then, or to fewer people reaching their century, although they surviving to a ripe old age.

Orders for at least twenty vessels, including twin-screw steamers, drifters, and steam trawlers, have brought great activity to Aberdeen shipyards. Contracts secured by one firm will mean an expenditure of £60,000 in wages and labour alone.

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TANDA	6,056	5th Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
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oceans. Only experienced trail riders are permitted to take this
strenuous trip for which they must possess at least the silver button
emblematic of 100 miles of trail riding. The trip from start to finish
took eighteen days to complete. Picture shows two of the hardy trail
riders, W. L. Payne, London, and Louis Prevost, of Montreal with
Guy Thomas, Brewster's guide, on right, together with a section of
the Columbia Ice Fields.

FLOATING FACTORIES

Several orders for steamers designed
as floating whaling factories have
been placed recently, and with these
and the existing vessels now being
converted for similar purposes, this
particular industry is providing quite
a large amount of work for British
shipyards, especially on the North-
East Coast. The most interesting
development is, however, the decision
on the part of the owners of the
vessel ordered from the Furness
Shipbuilding Company, of Hartwood,
Hull-on-Tees, to adopt internal com-
bustion engines for the purposes of
propulsion. The ship will be the first
of the kind to have machinery of this
type, and she will be engaged in the
service of a peculiar character, and
in which it has seemed up till now
that the reciprocating steam engine
was likely to retain a monopoly. One
large new steamer—the Belfast-built
"Antarctic"—is on her way to the
Antarctic; another, "Wykingen"—is
being completed at Willand-on-Tyne.
Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and
Co. are building one of 18,000 tons for
Cape Town owners, and about half a
dozen large vessels, mostly oil-tankers,
have been, or are being, converted at
British yards. The whaling industry
itself is largely in the hands of the
Norwegian firms, but the bulk of the
shipbuilding and converting work is
being done in England, and the con-
struction of many small whaling
steamers—distinctly distinguished from
factories—has for several years past
kept many men employed, especially
at the works at South Bank-on-Tees
of Smith's Dock Company. The build-
ing of small vessels of this
kind is carried on in Norway,
and there seems to be no reason
except that of prices, why any of the
ships required by Norwegian owners
should be constructed outside their
own country.

THE DOLLAR LINE

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sperity throughout the country in
general and in California in particu-
lar, the reorganization and expan-
sion of the Dollar Steamship Line to
a \$100,000,000 corporation was an-
nounced by company officials, follow-
ing a stockholders' meeting. The
new organization, which will take over
the major assets of the present Dollar
company, will be a Delaware cor-
poration known as the Dollar Steam-
ship Lines, Ltd., Inc. Control will be
held by the Dollar Steamship Line of
California, and there will be no public
offering of stock at present, according
to Mr. Stanley Dollar, vice presi-
dent, and general manager of the California
corporation. Under the reorganiza-
tion plans, which call for the building
of additional ships, the Dollar Lines
will be the largest American steam-
ship company now existing. The
corporate holdings will be represented
by 3,000,000 shares of no-par value
stock. The building programme,
which included construction of two
fast ships for inter-island trade with
the Philippines, is only awaiting a
decision on mail contracts by the
Government at Washington, the an-
nouncement said. A nation-wide
directorate will handle the affairs of
the new corporation, the officers of
which will be announced at a later
date, according to R. Stanley Dollar.

LYDD'S REGISTER

Returns issued recently by Lloyd's
Register of Shipping show that 101
ships, aggregating 173,327 tons, were
totally lost or condemned in con-
sequence of casualty or stress of
weather, during the quarter ending
December 31, 1928. Of these 101
vessels, 74, totalling 160,408 tons,
were steamers and motorships, and
21, aggregating 53,388 tons, were
of the British flag. Of the 27 sailing ships
lost, two small vessels were British.
Ships, to the number of 75, of 145,112
tons, were otherwise broken-up or
condemned, and the greater part of
these were steamers, or motorships.
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by Captain Matthew Flinders, R.N.,
the explorer, taken from Mr. Bryant's
book, are of interest. "Two of his
ordinary letters," says Mr. Bryant,
"may be taken as unconscious self-
revelation. Writing to the father of
John Franklin, who was at that time
a midshipman on the "Investigator,"
he said: "He has ability enough, but
he must be diligent, studious, active
in his duty, not over-ready to take
offence at his superior officers, nor yet
humbling too much to them. Above
all things he should be strict in his
honour and integrity, for a man
who forfeits either cannot be in-
dependent or brave at all times; and
he should not be afraid to be singu-
lar, for if he is, the ridicule of the
vicious would beat him out of his
rectitude as well as out of his
attention to duty." Years after-
wards, when Franklin had attained
the rank of commander, Flinders
wrote to him concerning a youth in
whose he was interested on Franklin's
ship: "Employ him in learning the
knot and splice under a quartermaster;
in working under observation, in
writing his journal, and in such
studies as may be useful to him. Make
it a point of honour with him to
be quick in relieving the deck, and
strict in keeping his watch. In fine,
my dear John, endeavour to make
a good officer and a good man! These
were the watchwords of life, to
which all else must be subservient,
and what he said, he was, and what
he knew, he did." Although these
letters were written well over a
hundred years ago, the advice contain-
ed therein applies with equal force
today to the young man embarking
upon a career at sea. The John
Franklin referred to was afterwards
the great Arctic explorer.

"EMPRESS OF CANADA"

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speed of 21 knots, the Cana-
dian Pacific's big "white liner"
"Empress of Canada," holder of the
blue ribbon of the Pacific, arrived
at Southampton from Glasgow Wed-
nesday for nearly a year she had been
in the hands of the Fairfield Ship-
building & Engineering Co., her build-
ers. She remained at South-
ampton until August 28 when she
sailed for Quebec, making her first
visit to that port. She sailed from
Quebec on September 6 for South-
ampton and on September 18 sailed
again from Southampton bound for
New York, Colon, Balboa, San
Francisco and Vancouver. At the
trans-Pacific terminal of the Canadian
Pacific Steamships the crews of the
"Empress of Canada" and the "Em-
press of France" will change ships,
the former leaving on October 17 for
Japan and China and the latter re-
turning to Southampton via the
Panama Canal. The "Empress of
France," which temporarily replaced
the "Empress of Canada" on the
trans-Pacific service, will be over-
hauled and refitted in preparation for
her Mediterranean cruise which will
begin in the summer of 1930 she will
resume her regular voyage between
Southampton and Quebec.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

Preliminary arrangements to mate-
rially reduce the running time of
trans-Continental trains between Mon-
tréal, Toronto and Vancouver are be-
ing considered by operating officers of
the Canadian Pacific Railway, accord-
ing to a statement made by E. W.
Beatty, chairman and president.
When these arrangements are
completed in the near future, Mr.
Beatty said, the travelling public will
be able to cross Canada from coast
to coast in about ten hours less time
than is now taken for the journey.

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developed a remarkable passenger
traffic between Germany and the
United States, but Bremerhaven is the
point of embarkation and disembarka-
tion as it is also the place
of lightening and part dis-
charge for cargo vessels which by
reason of their draught are unable to
proceed up the river. At the same time,
Bremerhaven has trading interests
of its own, though these are to be
regarded as complementary to, and
not competitive with, those of
Bremen. Jointly with the adjacent
suburbs of Geestemünde and Lehe, it
forms a single traffic centre, with a
total population at the present time
of 100,000 inhabitants. In contrast
to Bremen, where the tidal range is
much reduced and does not necessitate
the impounding of water for the
purpose of maintaining a sufficient
depth, Bremerhaven has had to be
provided with a complete dock system,
with gates and other appliances.
Between mean high and mean low
water there is a difference of 11-ft.,
but the range is often much greater
than this. Between highest high
water and lowest low water
there is recorded a difference of
nearly 30-ft. In addition to the tides,
the range of level is affected by
strong currents in the river. The
outstanding feature of Bremerhaven is
its association with the Norddeutscher
Lloyd Line as the point of departure
and arrival of their fleet of steamers,
which includes the "Bremen" of
46,000 tons, and will shortly include
her sister ship, the "Europa."

BRITISH SHIPPING

A London ship broker in a com-
munication to Lloyd's List writes:
"There is no doubt that our coasting
Trade ought to be restricted to the
British flag, and it should be a very
simple matter to get this put in
force without delay, and with a
minimum of Parliamentary and legal
expenses. However, I think there
should be the right for British firms
to time-charter foreign tonnage if
they require to do so. Firms
frequently require to time-charter,
and therefore should have the choice
of the most suitable tonnage. I re-
member many years ago E. W. Watts,
the head of Watts, Warts & Co. (as it
was then), was a strong advocate of
our coasting trade being restricted to
the British flag, and I think he meant
that this should also apply to voyages
between the United Kingdom and our
overseas dominions."

HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has
been obtained by all of the Tide-pre-
dicting Machines, which includes 40
components for the better prediction
of tides, from the result of the
analysis of the tidal observations,
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
Hobbes during the years 1887, 1888
and 1889.

The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Aberdeen, the differences being very
small.

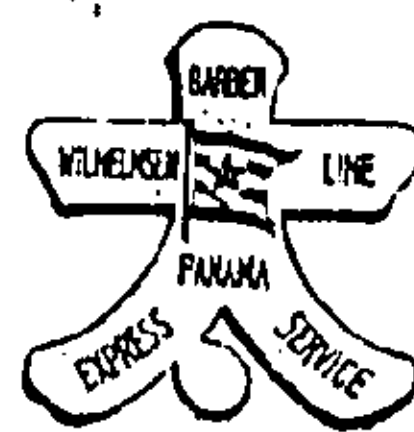
The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

October 15 to 21, 1929.

Date	Standard Time	High Water Time	Low Water Time
October			
Tues. 15	8 48	8 21	8 54
Wed. 16	8 51	8 24	8 57
Thurs. 17	8 54	8 27	9 00
Fri. 18	8 57	8 30	9 03
Sat. 19	9 00	8 33	9 06
Sun. 20	9 03	8 36	9 09
Mon. 21	9 06	8 39	9 12

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Though 17 years have passed since
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SHIPS' MEDICINE

A new series of Medical Scales,
which govern the medicines, medical
stores and instruments to be carried
by merchant ships, have been issued
by the Board of Trade to supersede
those prescribed in 1924. They will
come into operation forthwith for
new ships, and as regards other
vessels on July 1, 1930. Scales I and
II, which apply to ships required by
law to carry a surgeon, are un-
changed, being still under revision,
but Scales III and IV, which apply to
other craft, have been completely
revised in connection with the pre-
paration of a new edition of the
"Ship Captain's Medical Guide," the
directions for treatment in this work
having reference to the new scales.
Among the principal changes is the
simplification of the list of medicines,
by the omission of articles which
experience has shown were not used
in practice. A number of "stock"
mixtures have been included in order
to obviate the necessity of the main-
taining his own dispensing, while the
remainder of the drugs for internal
use are to be provided, as far as pos-
sible, in tablet form, in the "doses"
usually given. Dressings formerly
carried in bulk are now to be made up
in suitable small packets. Purifica-
tion of water by filtration has been
discarded in favour of purifying by
chlorination. All metal instruments
must now be made of rustless and
stainless metal; while the catgut and
needles formerly required to be carried
separately have been replaced by
lengths of catgut already threaded on
needles and sealed in tubes so as to
remain sterile indefinitely.

slight of periodic allowances. The
relief fund at the close of last year
showed a balance of £284,120.

The loss of the "Empress of Ire-
land" in the River St. Lawrence in
1914, was also the subject of a
Mansion House Relief Fund. One
hundred and eight widows, orphans,
and other relatives are still being
maintained. The fund now amounts
to £87,138.

The "Lusitania" was sunk in May,
1915. Twenty four relatives of the
poorer passengers drowned are still
in receipt of allowances. The fund
has a balance of £1,059.

THE "MAURETANIA"

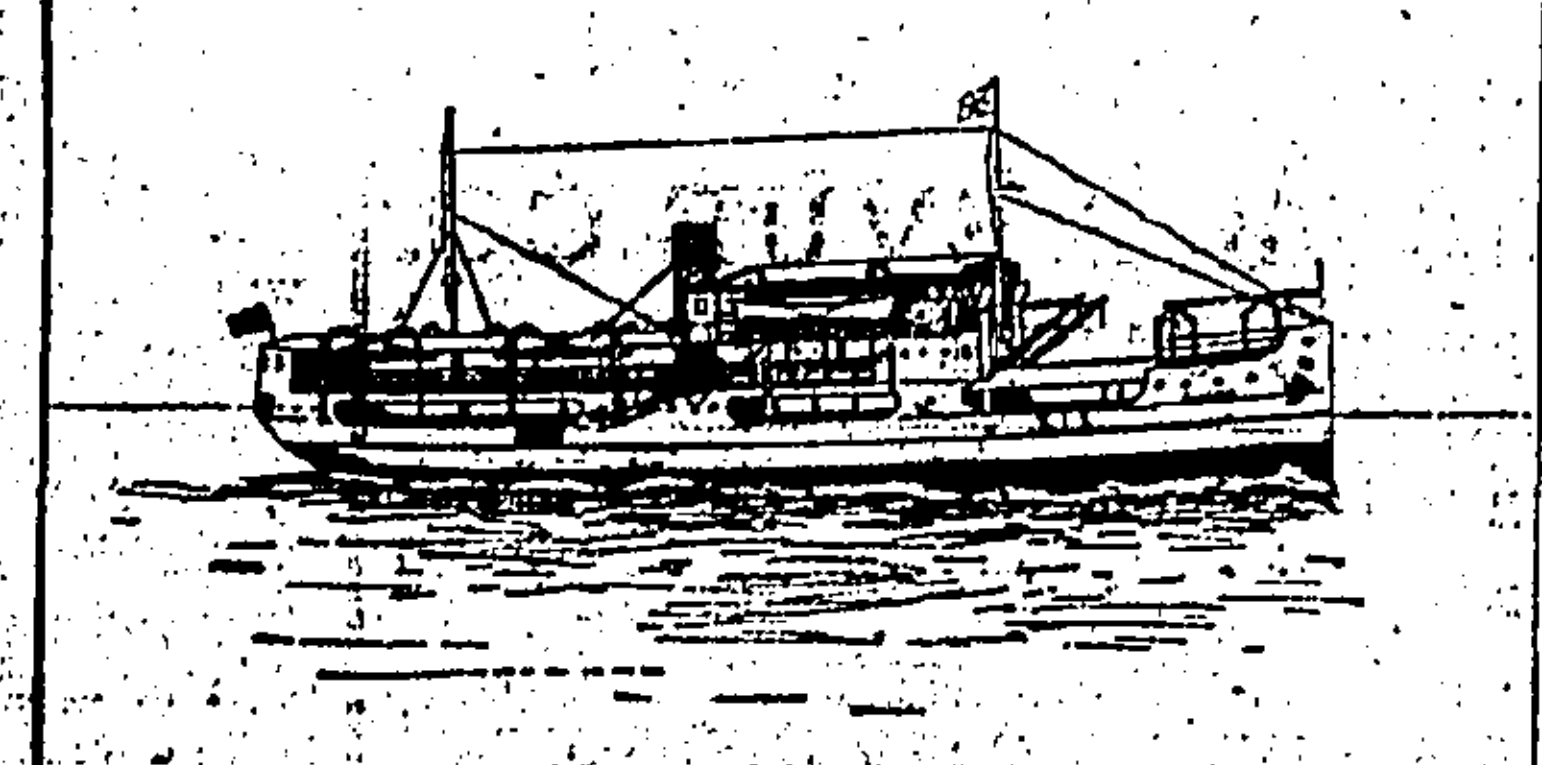
Heri Stimming, the managing
director of the Norddeutscher Lloyd,
in the German newspaper "Kölnische
Zeitung," pays the following tribute to
the Cunard liner "Mauretania":—"In
view of the sporting spirit of the
English, which found expression on
the occasion of the 'Bremen' record
voyage, it was almost painful to me
to notice that the German public did
not fully appreciate the great
achievement of the 'Mauretania'.
What are a few hours' difference in
the times of the voyage? We shall
be happy and proud if in 20 years we
can maintain so small a margin of
time against the latest competitor.
That a 20-year old ship should possess
qualities which even to-day enable
engines to improve its performance in
such an outstanding manner is an
achievement which cannot be too
highly honoured. We can all learn
from each other. In this sense the
'Mauretania's' voyage is a great
example worthy of emulation. The
lesson for us is to seek not new re-
cords but a steady and prudent ser-
vice which will promote the comfort
of passengers, so that we, too, in 20
years may possess an unspat ship."

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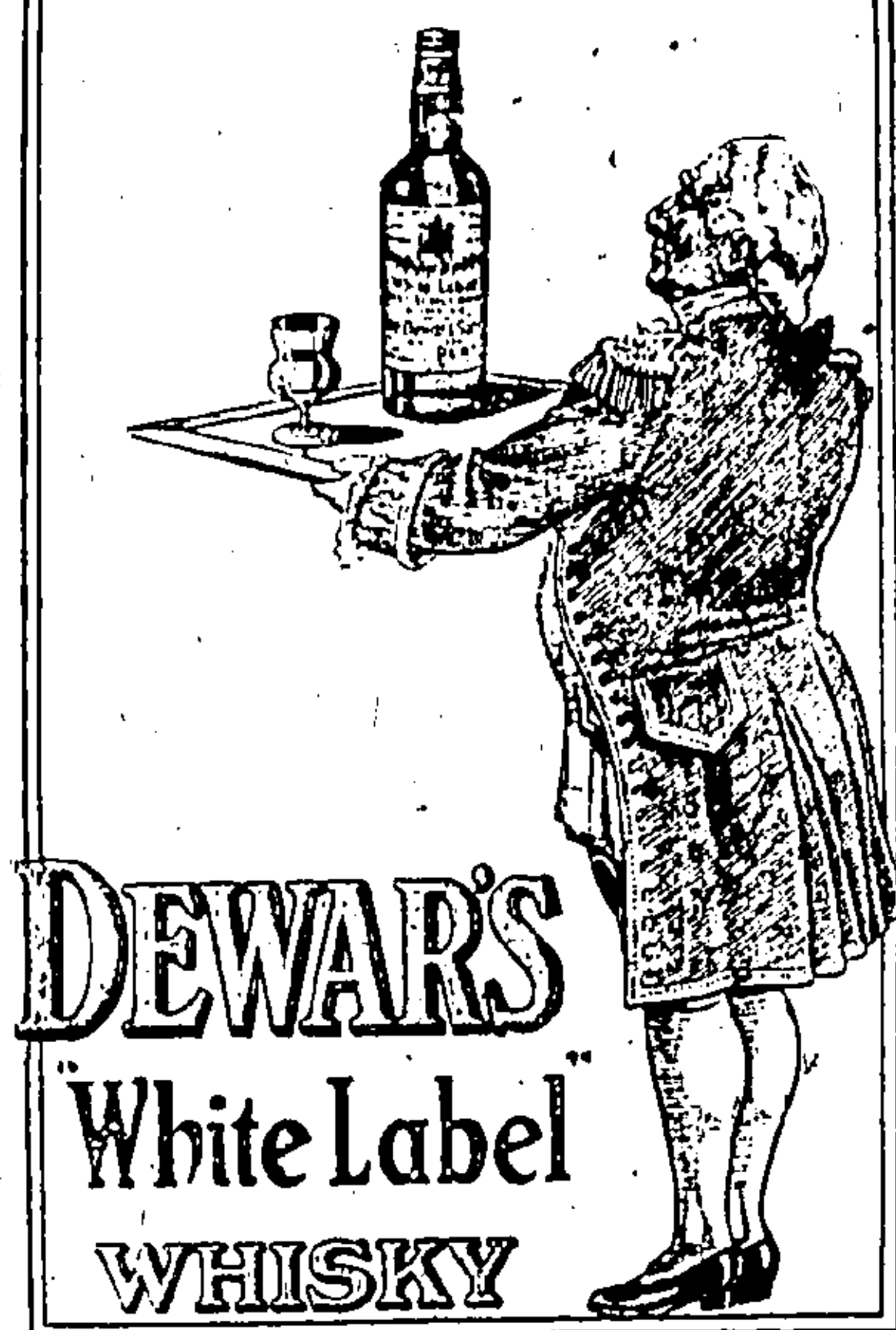
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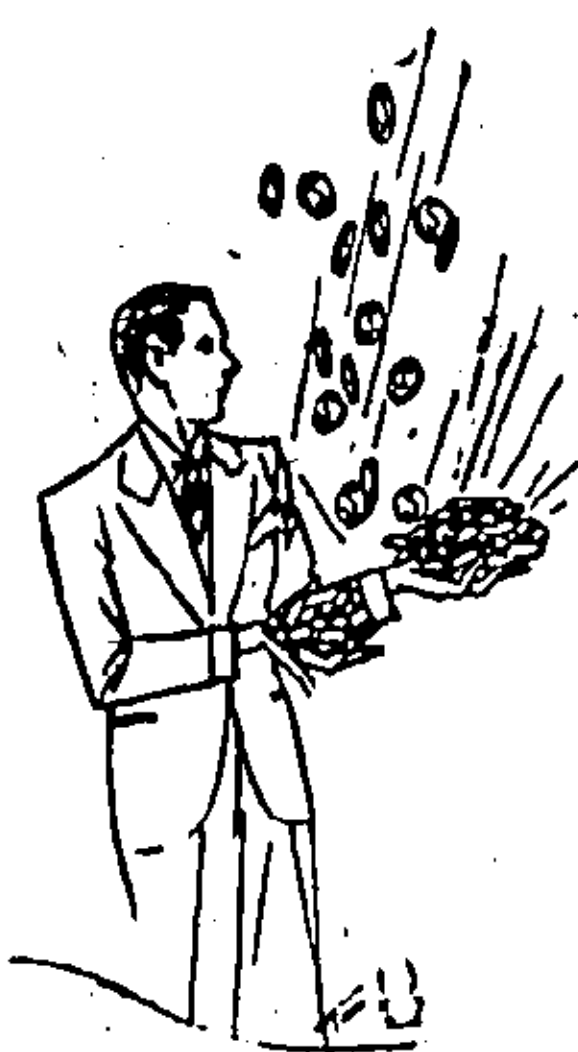
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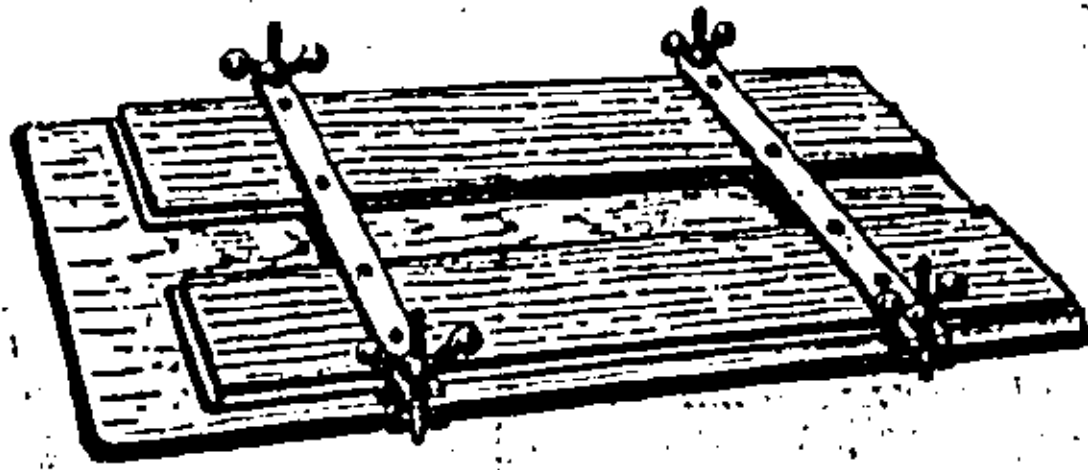
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THE UNHAPPY MUI-TSAI

Of all the social evils of the Far East, perhaps the system of child labour known as Mui Tsai is the darkest. For some years past, even before the League of Nations was dreamed of, attempts were made to influence Asiatic opinion to regard the traffic in girls as an abomination, unworthy of the lowest of humanity. In spite of the efforts of missionaries and others, who have endeavoured to educate public opinion in China, the evil still persists, and unless the Governments concerned take more vigorous action than the publishing of proclamations, it seems as if the unhappy Mui Tsai must continue to suffer shame and cruelty.

For some mysterious and unfathomable reason, the British Government that was, through the then Home Secretary, Sir William Joynson-Hicks, met the protestations of the Anti-Mui Tsai Society in Britain with apparent sympathy, but nothing was done whatsoever in the matter, in spite of the indignant oratory of Sir William, who professed to be shocked in the good, old-fashioned manner, to think that such a state of affairs could ever be in any British Colony.

In the meantime, the Society in Hong Kong had not been inactive. Through its Executive Committee, it transmitted to the Colonial Government a resolution that all Mui-Tsai in Hong Kong should be registered with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. After the usual delay the matter was brought before "H.K." whose memory had been jogged in this

interim by the Society in England. The result was that on May 6 the Secretary for Chinese Affairs published a proclamation forbidding the buying and selling of Mui Tsai.

Whilst this is a very creditable gesture on the part of the late Home Government, as well as of the local authorities, (in spite of the fact that it came after years of agitation) the proclamation cannot, as Dr. S. C. Yeung pointed out at a meeting of the local Society on Sunday, be regarded as an effective means of eradicating the evil. Not only is it obvious that a large percentage of Mui-Tsais are totally unaware of the existence of any such proclamation, or that they are afraid to report to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs; there is the cunning of the owners themselves to be considered. Apparently all that is needful for them to do to put themselves on the right side of the law is to declare that their mui-tsais are "adopted" daughters, and to destroy all documentary and other evidences of any transaction. Does the Government propose to cope with this evasion by another proclamation? Or will it wait for a few years until the Home Secretary in England deems it expedient to turn a sympathetic ear to further insistent protests?

To us, the problem appears to be rather more straightforward than bewildered "students" of the situation seem to think. We do not profess to be au fait with the exact ramifications of the Social Welfare Bureau, and will take for granted, Dr. Yeung's definition of its "great deal of useful work." (A gentleman who accuses the Government of being "liberal, enlightened, and always ready to sympathize with and espouse the cause of humanity," is evidently unsafe to be alone with an adjective). But, if it has not already done so, why does not the Bureau organise a band of suitable Chinese ladies, whose duty it would be to visit houses in their areas and make general enquiries. They need not be regarded as unofficial detectives, or "mui-tsai spies." Their work could consist simply in having "motherly chats" with the girls, and inducing them to confide their troubles with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The only way to circumvent the wily methods of the owners is, as Dr. Yeung suggests, to enforce the registration of all so-called "adopted" daughters, as well as the mui-tsai. We suggest, however, that this is a case where the services of informers

would prove of great value. In addition to the offering of suitable rewards for information laid to the authorities against persons suspected of buying and selling or harbouring mui-tsais. The deterrent too, must be sufficiently severe to have the desired effect. Only a flogging, for male offenders, and heavy terms of imprisonment for women, would be commensurate with the heinousness of this offence. Let the Government clear the name of the Colony in this respect, and take definite steps to apply the statute, instead of issuing more proclamations which are, in all probability, only read with amusement. When we are finally rid of the evil in Hong Kong, perhaps the Nationalist Government will begin to realise that the system is not in the best taste, is unpopular with the English conception of civilisation, and should be rigorously suppressed.

NEWS IN BRIEF

London, Yesterday.—The British Legation in Warsaw and the Polish Legation in London have been raised to Embassies.—Reuter.

A Chinese named Cheung Kwai has been arrested for the alleged theft of yassinate, to the value of \$40, from 54, Temple-street.

A Chinese has been arrested for allegedly stealing two perambulators at Yau-mat. One of them was valued at \$40 and the other at \$10. Both were recovered.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Constant Marc Pweteau, chief engineer of the s.s. "Hopsang," to Miss Lillane Guerin, "Solitude," Rose Hill, Mauritius.

1929 rainfall . . . 68.03 inches

Average . . . 79.05 inches

Deficit . . . 11.02 inches

A snatching incident, in which a Chinese robbed a Chinese woman of \$1 in Wing Shing-street, occurred yesterday afternoon. The woman raised an alarm, but the man got away.

The Chinese s.s. "Chung Kong," which left Taurane on October 6 and arrived here yesterday, had to go into Yu Lee Kaa Bay on October 12 to shelter. Rough weather prevailed then on that run.

A report was made to the Police by Mr. Routley, Land Bailiff at Tai-po, of the theft of \$500 from a safe kept at the Sheriff's Office. The safe was broken into sometime between 1 and 9 a.m. on Oct. 13.

The 21st annual general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will be held in the Club House, North Point, on Tuesday, Oct. 29, at 5.45 p.m., when the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Leaving Singapore on October 6 and Holhow on October 12, the Danish s.s. "Michael Jensen" arrived here yesterday, reporting three Chinese deaths en route, one from beri-beri and two from consumption.

Two Chinese were charged at the Central Magistracy this morning. Before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham with snatching a handbag from Mrs. Dickson at the Central Market. The bag contained \$50 and some papers. There was an alternative charge of receiving, and the defendants were convicted on the latter charge. They were sentenced to six weeks' jail each.

A Chinese was charged before the same Magistrate with the larceny of a gold bangle from the wrist of a child. It was said that the child, only six years of age, was going up the stairs to her house at 10, Sai street, when the man came up and attempted to snatch the bangle away. She raised the alarm, and the man was caught by three watchmen. He was sentenced to one year's imprisonment and fifteen strokes of the birch.

Fines inflicted by Mr. T. W. H. Hasegood, acting Marine Magistrate, in his Court this morning, for harbour offences, were as follows:—

Fishing junk, for having no light, \$5.
Cargo junk, for going abreast five other similar craft alongside a steamer, \$3.
Hawker, for hawking without licence on a Japanese ship, \$5.

ABOUT HOLLYWOOD

MISS AILEEN WOODS WRITES TO HER FRIENDS

LOS ANGELES EXPERIENCED

A long letter was received last mail from Miss Aileen Woods, who gives a most interesting description of plays and films which she has had the good fortune to witness in Los Angeles, and also had luck enough to see many of the leading film artists at the wedding of Miss Patsy Ruth Miller. Miss Woods, who has many friends in Hong Kong, wrote:—

I heard that Patsy Ruth Miller, the famous movie "star," was being married at the Church near us, and one of the girls and I went. We were not allowed inside, only recognised guests, being admitted, but we had a "front row," and so had a real "close-up" view of many of the famous stars including Harold Lloyd, his wife, and Gloria, their daughter. He looks a "dear" and is very good looking. Connie Talmadge is quite ordinary, and her third husband was there as were May McAvoy and her husband, Gertrude Oldsted and Robert Leonard (husband director) Mae Murray, also Laura La Plante and husband.

"Nice-looking Chap"

The bride looked quite pretty although she is not a beauty. The groom (a director) was a nice-looking chap, well dressed in frock coat and tall hat, as were many of the groomsman and a number of the guests. It was unusual to see so many well-dressed men, since the American men out here are very different from the English.

Janet Gaynor was married in San Francisco this week too; no fuss, a very quiet wedding, only immediate relatives. The papers here remark on the fact of Charles Farrell, her co-star, not being present—a strange coincidence; he went to New York for personal appearances on the same day that Janet Gaynor left the studio. Rumour has often said that they had been in love, and they certainly seemed so in all their pictures, especially their last film "Lucky Star" which I saw and much enjoyed. Their love-making was ideal.

Voices Disappointing

It was their first "talkie." Neither has a good screen voice, but improved towards the last, although, their voices were disappointing, but their acting was perfect (as in "Seventh Heaven"). No one, I think, can equal these two. It is a simple story, but I liked it enough to sit it out twice. Farrell was lame in the War and to see him try to use his paralysed legs with his crutches was terribly pathetic and realistic. He acted the part beautifully. (He must have had lessons from Lon Chaney, I should think). Gladys Brockwell died after much suffering through the motor accident it was sad. She was a great screen favourite. You remember her in "Seventh Heaven."

Bessie Love had a very narrow escape in a motor accident last month. Her nose was broken. Her father told me she has had to go away for a holiday, as her nerves were all upset. I am to meet her on her return. She is priceless in "Broadway Melody," as you have heard.

For 40 Cents

I went the other night to a small local theatre and for 40 cents sat through twice "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne" with Norma Shearer and an all British cast. Her acting was delightful—so easy and natural—and she has a most refined English accent. She will go far on the "talkies." And her support was perfect. The play was followed closely; there was such wit and humour. I am thrilled when I hear how excellently the English voices sound over the radio-phon.

I saw the "Black Watch" last week, with Victor McLaglen. It was wonderful. I sat it out twice and was carried away with loyalty at the stirring scenes of the War and with the dinner in the Officers' Mess. When the toast of "The King" was proposed and the Pipers played, some of the Officers sang "Annie Laurie" beautifully, finishing up with "Auld Lang Syne." My eyes just filled with tears. And it was the first real play I have seen since I came to Los Angeles.

Young Douglas Fairbanks, in "The Youngest," has a good play on modern American home-life; he acted exceedingly well and naturally and is one of the best looking lads I have seen.

Pilgrimage Play

I also went to see "The Pilgrimage Play." One is deeply impressed. It was unforgettable. The stage is built at the foot of a high hill exactly like a street of the Bible days. The hill is all covered in trees and foliage and with small paths leading up. The acting takes place sometimes on the stage and sometimes on a path up the hill. It is not a stage nor like a play. You are just watching the story of Christ and it is beautifully and most reverently carried out in every way. It is all in the open air. The audience sit on padded forms. The only stage scenery is the stone wall. All the rest is nature, aided by wonderful lighting effects. This is the tenth year of this play. The season is about six weeks old and "Christ" is taken by Ian MacLaren, a Briton. The voices, action and character of every sound in the night air was marvellous to hear! "Christ" was most reverently played. MacLaren looked truly wonderful at the last. "Christ" appeared to Mary Magdalene at the Tomb and spoke to her, they all went dark. You see them with a gorgeous light surrounding him far up the hillside, just the hands outstretched and saying "Lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." I was impressed beyond words. The whole thing beggars description.

Mr. Yoch Teik-ee, Principal of the Tutorial Institute, Hong Kong, who lives at 3, Prince's-terrace, 1st floor, is to be married shortly. His bride to be is Miss Cheung Pui-lan, of 3, Prince's-terrace, 2nd floor.

P'RAPS—

P'RAPS NOT!

The captain of an American negro company said that he needed a good bugler, and that if there were any in the company they should step one pace forward.

One wizened little fellow shuffled to the front.

"Are you a good bugler?" asked the captain.

"No, sah, I'm no bugler," the private declared, as if he'd been insulted.

"Well, for the love of the Army and the Navy, why did you step forward?"

"Well, sah," grinned the little fellow, "I thought you said bugler."

The young counsel for the defence was intent on tying one of the witnesses in a knot to make good his own arguments. Clearing his throat and gazing proudly round the court, he pointed dramatically toward the man who was witness in the assault case:

"And you mean to say that all the injuries in this case were caused by a mere pin which my client was holding?" bellowed the counsel.

"Yes," said the witness.

"Ridiculous!" said the counsel.

"Why are there bruises but no scratches?"

"Because," replied the man, "it was a rolling pin!"

Lady Pupil: "Do I need many more before I am able to drive?"

Dejected Tutor: "About a dozen."

Lady Pupil: "Lessons?"

Dejected Tutor: "No, cars."

Stage Manager: "Our scene-shifter wants a holiday. He says he hasn't been away for five years."

Proprietor: "Well, tell him he can't have one. He gets change of scenery enough for anybody."

Jones was out shopping with his wife and she told him she wanted to make a final purchase in a draper's. She asked him if he would wait outside for her.

"Well," he said, "if you won't be long I'll just run home, put up the fowl-house, whitewash the kitchen ceiling, and then call back for you; but if you are going to be long, I'll finish papering the dining-room and stain the floors round."

Green: "Shall we trot off to the Rose Cafe for a coffee?"

Brown: "No, thanks; I have gone off that place. They don't provide teaspoons now."

"Why not?"

"Because they have engaged an orchestra."

"But what's that got to do with teaspoons?"

"Well, I suppose it's because they consider the music so stirring that spoons are not necessary."

A father and mother, with their six children, arrived at the seaside to spend a week's holidays, and at once set out to look for lodgings.

At long length they espied a "furnished room to let" notice.

"Oh, yes," said the landlady, in answer to the father's inquiry, "it's here the rooms is to let, but (eyeing the crowd) there's only one bed in it."

"Oh, that's all right," replied the father, beaming with satisfaction, "we're used to roughing it. The wife and youngsters will sleep on the floor."

Addressing an old rustic chopping wood, the tourist asked how long it would take to get to the next village. The man went on with his work, neither speaking nor looking up. The traveller went on his way, assuming he was not heard.

He had not gone far when he heard the rustic calling after him:

"Hey, mister! Come you back! Come you back!"

The traveller returned, and the man said: "I'll tak yer just 20 minutes to get into the village."

"Why didn't you tell me that when I asked you?" remonstrated the traveller.

"How did I know how fast you was going to walk?" retorted the man.

"How about your lady stenographer?"

"In what particular?"

"Do they watch the clock?"

"No, there's a full-length mirror at the opposite end of the office."

Cooper: "Honestly, now, you would never have thought this car of mine was one I had bought second-hand, would you?"

Coles: "Never—in my life. I thought you had made it yourself!"

Stout Lady (in park): "I am going to have a ride on one of the donkeys, and I'll pay for one for you if you will accompany me."

Small Boy: "Thankee, m'm, but I'd rather sit here and laugh."

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TWO SELF-APPOINTED POST-MEN CHARGED
ALLEGED FORGERY

Two Chinese of the coolie class were alleged to have hit on a novel scheme to extort 20 cents from a Chinese married woman. They were alleged to have delivered a letter to the complainant, and on the envelope the request to give "bearer 20 cents" was written.

One of the men said that he had picked up the letter and he gave it to the other defendant to deliver to the woman. The other man said that he had not asked for payment.

Sgt. Clemo said that the letter was originally sent by post from Canton to the woman. It was true that one of the defendants had picked it up at the staircase landing. The allegation was that he wrote on the envelope the request to give 20 cents to the person delivering the letter.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow morning.

LIFE SAVING

SILVER MEDAL & CERTIFICATE AWARDED

ARMY WINNERS

An examination was held at North Point on September 30 for The Award of Merit, better known as the Silver Medal Examination. Armt./Q.M.S. Grossman R. A. O. C. and Armt./Staff-Sgt. Bliss R.A.O.C. presented themselves for examination and both candidates carried out all the tests in a very efficient manner. The examination is by no means an easy one, and it reflects great credit on these two candidates that they gained a very high percentage of marks in all the tests.

The examiners are having a busy time this week, on Sunday last a class of four candidates from the 20th Heavy Battery R.A. was examined at Stonecutters, and did very good work in the Proficiency Certificate and Bronze Medallion Examinations. This is a good start at Stonecutters, and it is hoped to see many more of these fine swimmers gaining the Society's certificates.

During this week another class of K.O.S.B.'s are being examined for Bronze Medallions, and a Silver Medal Examination is also being held. This activity among the Services plainly shows that the Society's Awards are worth going out for, not merely for any intrinsic value, but for the useful knowledge gained.

The following recommendations have been forwarded to London: Award of Merit, Armt./Q.M.S. Grossman R.A.O.C., Armt./Staff-Sgt. Bliss R.A.O.C., Armt./Staff-Sgt. Bliss R.A.O.C.

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A show such as Miss Ruth Van Valcy has seen fit to surround herself with is seldom seen outside the largest cities of the world.

There is not a dull moment, from the rise of the curtain, until the end of a two-hours evening of fun, amusement, enjoyment, and skill, all of which follow in such rapid succession that the spectator is fairly bewildered, and is given much to think about and a keen desire to see more.

Each and every act presented in this entertainment is of high class type, not a word or situation to offend the most fastidious. Scenic embellishment that represents a heavy investment, articles of repute and novelties from all parts of the world. Ruth Van Valcy and her company will appear in "The Round The World" revue shortly.

FOOTBALL

CHINESE ATHLETIC AND THE REST OF COLONY

A DRAWN GAME

The Chinese Athletic team met a team representing the "Rest" of the Colony yesterday at the North Point Stadium. The former side had two players short, and the Athletic spared them a main making ten a side.

The match on the whole was of a fairly high standard, and flashes of brilliant football were seen. The "Rest" drew first blood just before the whistle sounded for half time through Butcher.

In the second moiety the Athletic was pressing and got their equaliser before the final whistle went.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

UNUSUAL PICTURE OF SOCIETY MANNERS

AT THE QUEEN'S

An unusual and entertaining picture of society manners and the craze for mysticism is promised for the screen of the Queen's Theatre when the management of that playhouse will present "The Charlatan," a Universal production based on the famous Broadway stage success of that name.

Holmes Herbert, Rockliffe Fellowes, Margaret Livingston and Fred Mackaye are seen in the principal roles. George Melford directed the picture under the supervision of Carl Laemmle, Jr.

The story concerns the weird events following the staging of a fortune telling party at the home of one of the society leaders of a certain American city.

The Hindu myatie, played by Holmes Herbert, becomes tragically involved in the tangled heart affairs of the several couples attending the seance. The startling results make gripping drama.

"The Charlatan" was a sensation as a play. It was written by Ernest Pascal and Leonard Franks. The picture is said to be even better, due to the broader scope of the screen in developing such a story.

Herbert handles a different role ably. An equally good portrayal is done by Rockliffe Fellowes. Miss Livingston is seen in this picture for the first time in a blonde wig, which will be an agreeable surprise to picture fans.

Fred Mackaye is one of the screen's most promising juveniles. He is a Universal "And."

Others in the cast are Crauford Kent, Philo McCullough, Anita Garvin, Dorothy Gould, John George, Rose Tapley and Berard Siegel.

"EXCESS BAGGAGE"

A New Role for William Haines

William Haines, who has hitherto been associated only with the broadest farce, has an entirely different role in "Excess Baggage," a remarkable story of stage life, which will be screened to-day at the Star Theatre.

The story concerns the adventures of a theatrical married couple who fail to reach stardom together, but win success individually. They become estranged, although they still love each other, and the dramatic manner in which their problem is solved before the audience in one of the biggest theatres in New York is one of the most unusual climaxes ever screened, according to advance reports.

Experiment Show

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has spared no expense to make this film one of its big successes. James Cruze, the director of the "Covered Wagon," is largely responsible for the success of the picture. The story was adapted from the well-known stage success by John McGowan.

The supporting cast was chosen with care, and includes Ricardo Cortez, Kathleen Clifford, Greta Granstedt, Neely Edwards, and Cyril Chadwick.

"MERRY-GO-ROUND"

ANOTHER GOOD SHOW AT THE STAR THEATRE

CLEVER DANCING

The Warwick Company again proved their mettle in a new Revue called "Merry-Go-Round" at the Star Theatre last night. Though not quite so outstandingly good as was "High Lights" this Revue is well worth seeing.

Much of the success of the evening was undoubtedly due to the clever dance and song scenes arranged by Guy Latham, of which "The Maiden in Gray" was a charming example of "miming."

Barbara Wenle was very demure as the Maiden, and Guy Latham very gallant, as a gentleman of the olden days; while Barnet's song was very sweetly sung by Enid Nicolson.

A Versatile Couple

In complete contrast to this we had a "Dance Hodgepodge" which was brilliantly danced by this versatile couple, the vivid colouring of the costumes and the rhythm and vigour of the dance earning tumults of applause.

Eileen Dawn made a great hit as the old Mother, in a sketch called "Peter's Uncle," and Robert Poole's smooth and lovely baritone was heard to great advantage in "Pierrot and the Rose."

The accompaniments to the songs were beautifully played by Jean Wells, who showed herself to be an accomplished pianist and leader of the orchestra.

Her Burchell was excellent in his scenes as "John Citizen" and we rather hope the Hong Kong Telephone Company made a note of number five!

Altogether a very well worth seeing "Merry-Go-Round" will be repeated tonight and there will be a complete change of programme on Wednesday.

"Acro."

MR. BRUCE'S PLEA

ASKS LABOUR LEADER TO DELAY MINISTRY

PREMIER TO RESIGN

Melbourne, Yesterday. Following a conference with the members of his Government, Mr. Stanley Bruce met the Labour leader, Mr. Scullin, and arranged pending Mr. Bruce's resignation, which he is tendering to the Governor-General at Canberra on Saturday, that Mr. Scullin should hold in abeyance the plans for the formation of a Labour Ministry.—Reuter.

Images Broken

MOSLEMS THROW BRICKBATS AT HINDU GODS

"FREE FIGHTS"

Asanool, Bengal, Yesterday. One person was killed and 11 were injured in a Hindu-Muslim riot in connection with the immersion ceremonies at Durgapah.

It is stated that Moslems threw brickbats and damaged the images which the Hindus were carrying in the procession. A free fight ensued.—Reuter.

STATE FARMS

THE DRIVE AGAINST THE KULAK

COMMUNISM AND PEASANT

Probably the most important fundamental change which the Communists are attempting to bring about in Russia now is the reconstruction of agriculture on a collectivist basis.

Two recent developments have tended to strengthen the drive for agrarian socialisation. One is the satisfactory outlook for the coming harvest, which gives promise of removing the strained food situation which prevailed during the past winter and spring.

The other is the success of the strenuous spring planting campaign, which was carried out with great energy by the Party and State organisations.

Although the sown acreage last autumn indicated a decrease of some three per cent, as compared with the preceding year, the extension of the spring-planted area gave a total gain, for the year, of six per cent, and the Communist Party leadership is inclined to interpret this fact as a proof that the masses of the peasantry are not dissatisfied with the new policy, despite the obvious discontent of the "kulaks," or more well-to-do peasants, which during the last year has found expression in many murders and other acts of violence against village Communists and Soviet workers.

The Communist agrarian policy has both constructive and repressive aspects. On the constructive side one may note the investment of large sums of money in the development of the so-called "Giant" in the North Caucasus steppe country, near Rostov, already boasts an area of a hundred and fifty thousand acres, the encouragement of peasant-collective group farming, the increased use of tractors in farming, and the strenuous effort to provide the villages with more agricultural machinery and fertiliser.

The repressive edge of the policy is turned against the kulaks, who are heavily taxed, systematically given the worst land, and practically compelled to sell their surplus grain to the State organs at fixed prices which are far below the very high prices which have long prevailed on the free market, due to the shortage of grain and flour.

The use of compulsion to obtain the peasants' surplus grain, which was abandoned with the introduction of the New Economy Policy in 1921, was revived when the systematic withholding of grain by the peasants in the winter of 1927-1928 caused the application of so-called "extraordinary measures" to extract it from the hold-ers.

In July, 1928, these measures were abolished, according to a decision of the Communist Party Central Committee; but last spring they were revived, at least so far as the kulaks were concerned.

It is announced that "measures of social persuasion," which may be interpreted as meaning the forcing of delivery of grain by the richer peasants on pain of fines and confiscation of property, will be continued during the coming autumn, since the State organs are anxious to take advantage of the favourable harvest and build up as large a reserve of grain as possible before the end of the year.

The Communists are attempting to storm the fortress of peasant individualism by bringing up a constant stream of heavy artillery in the form of individual peasants, but among peasant co-operative groups and State farms. With the outcome of this experiment are bound up many things in the immediate future of Russia: the food supply of the cities, for instance, the dimensions of foreign trade, the practicability of the projected large scale expansion of industry.

Signs are apparent at the trade exhibition in connection with the Optical Congress at the Northampton Institute, St. John-street, of a change in spectacle frames. The tendency is likely to be more for rimless glasses of for the very light gold or gold-filled frames.

Many delegates attending the world conference of librarians at Brighton expressed the opinion that women were better readers of first-rate literature than men.

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IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAYA

Mr. Emu P. Yannoulatos, President of the Hellenic Association, left for Tientsin on the I.C.S. "Fausang."

Mr. Loh Sze-yin, former instructor in the Wuhan University, has been made principal of the Shanghai College Middle School.

The engagement is announced of Miss Chang Jui-fang, a graduate of the Eliza Yates Girls' School, to Mr. Chen Ching-fan, of the Y.M.C.A.

The National Agricultural Conference which was to have been held in Nanking this month has been postponed to the early part of November.

New professors of the Shanghai College include Dr. Wei Keng-seng, and Messrs. Cheng Hui, Yu Keng-hua, Sun Kuei-lin, Chuang Keng, and Pan Shu-fan.

Mr. Ling Ping, chief Chinese delegate at the recent negotiations for the rendition of the Belgian Concession in Tientsin, has been recommended as Minister to Cuba.

Mr. Chang Wei has been appointed judicial officer at the Paoshan District Magistracy in succession to Mr. Ma Tsu-kan, who has been transferred to a similar post at Yangchow.

Mr. Wunsz King, former Commissioner of Foreign Affairs and now Minister to Holland, is leaving for The Hague next month, accompanied by Mr. Singlin Chang, a secretary of the Foreign Bureau, as Second Secretary.

Mr. Yeh Wei-chun, the well-known merchant, has been re-elected chairman of the Shanghai Rice Guild. Messrs. Chu Tz-hsiang, Chen Chun-yu, Dii Tz-tih and Chao Tz-hsin have been elected to the executive committee.

The Directorate-General of Posts has been instructed by the Chiao-tungpu to suppress the native postal agencies (Min Hsin Chu' or People's Letter Carrying Offices) so as to prevent their transmitting counter-revolutionary literature.

Another national products exhibition has been started by local Chinese. It was opened in the New Pu Yu Tang Benevolent Hall near the Shanghai South Station recently and will continue for several weeks.

Locusts have appeared in the western districts of Peking in large numbers, reports the "East-ern Times." They have devoured most of the trees and crops in the district and all measures to destroy them have failed.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS WILL BE HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE, NORTH POINT ON TUESDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1929 at 5.46 p.m.

BUSINESS: (1) To receive the Report and Accounts for the period ended 31st August, 1929. (2) To elect Officers for the ensuing year and other General Business.

By Order of the General Committee.

R. J. VERNALL, Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th Oct., 1929.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL"

Social Functions

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Charlatan."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Three Musketeers." (Continuous performance from 1.15 to 11.15 p.m.)

To-day—Star Theatre; "Excess Baggage."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "The Unknown."

To-day—Star Theatre; Warwick Revue Co. present "The Merry-Go-Round," 9.15 p.m.

Oct. 15 and 17—Star Theatre; Warwick Revue Co. present "Airy Nothings," 9.15 p.m.

Oct. 18 and 19—Star Theatre; Warwick Revue Co. present "N' Everything," 9.15 p.m.

Oct. 21—Nelson Day Concert at Lee Theatre, 9 p.m.

Home Malls

To-morrow—Inward from Suez and London ("Sarpodon").

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via San Francisco ("Taiyo Maru"), 8.30 p.m.

Sports

Oct. 17—Closing date of entries for the harbour races, 6 p.m.

Oct. 23—Twelfth bi-annual race for Ships' Lifeboats, ("Troveva Trophy") starting time, 4 p.m.

Oct. 26—Seventh extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

Meetings

To-day—Regular Monthly meeting of Marine Engineers' Guild of China (Hong Kong branch), 67, Des Voeux-rd. C.D., 6 p.m.

To-day—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Oct. 18—Annual meeting of Hong Kong Boxing Association Messrs. Jardine's board room, 5.30 p.m.

Oct. 18—Kowloon Chess Club Annual Meeting at Central British School, 5.30 p.m.

Oct. 25—General meeting of Contributors of the H.K. Development Bldg. & Savings Society, Ltd. (in liquidation) City Hall Music room, 2.30 p.m.

Lammerts Auctions

To-morrow—At Sales Room, two cases coloured stripe poplin and one case printed cotton, 11 a.m.

Oct. 17—At Sales Room, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous

To-day—Draw for Subscription Giffins, Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables, 5 p.m.

To-day—At Helena, May. Institute, public lecture on "A tramp from Yunnanfu to the Yangtze," by Mr. T. J. Price, 5.30 p.m.

Oct. 18—Lecture on "Difficulties in the Manufacture and Trials of Diesel Engines," by Eng. Capt. W. H. Mical, Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong, 6 p.m.

Oct. 22—Ladies' Harbour Race.

Oct. 28—Open Harbour Race.

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	Tip Toe Thru' The Tulips	"
1925D	Red Hair and Freckles	"
	Lovable and Sweet	"

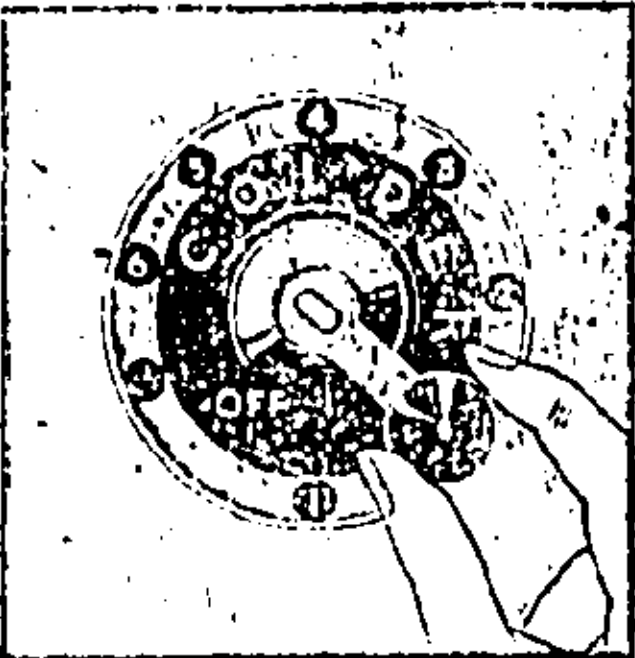
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Stock	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Notes	Paid up Value	Highest & Lowest 1928-29	Dividend
BANKS.							
Hong Kong Bank	1,375	...	1,370	128 1/2	\$125	1,365-1,150	£3 Int. 1929
(Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chartered Bank	19 1/2	...	...	...	£5	21.15-18.6.3	7 1/2 Int. 1929
Mercantile Bank, A. & M. L.	...	...	...	30 1/2	£12.10	34 1/2-30	8 1/2 Int. 1929
Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	15 1/2	£5	15 1/2-13 1/2	8 Int. 1928
...	...	...	...	50 1/2	\$100	100-67	...
INSURANCES.							
Canton Ins.	600	...	...	...	\$100	720-590	40 Int. 1928
Union Ins.	380	...	...	...	£4	\$290-297	£3 Int. 1928
North China Ins.	160	...	...	...	£15	£160-120	20% Int. 1927
Yangtze Ins.	...	...	...	50	\$10	50-33	M. 5.50 Int. 1928
China Underwriters	2 1/2	...	...	...	£3	2 1/2-1.75	...
China Fire Ins.	310	...	...	...	\$20	310-204	18 Int. 1928
H. K. Fire Ins.	215	...	...	...	\$50	805-60 1/2	43 Int. 1927
SHIPPING.							
Daughters	...	...	...	27 1/2	\$50	43-27 1/2	4 Int. 1924
H. K. Steamboats	26 1/2	...	...	...	\$15	30-23 1/4	7 Int. 1928
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	...	46	£5	\$2 1/2-30	12 1/2 Int. 1925
Shell Transport	...	...	...	100 1/2	£5	\$100-40	...
Union Waterboats	...	...	...	22	£7	118 1/2-89 1/2	5 1/2 Int. 1928
...	...	...	...	...	...	24 1/2-17	1.50 Int. 1928
MINING.							
Benquet	3 1/2	...	...	...	Po. 10	\$3.50-1 1/4	0.25 Int. 1929
Kailan Mining Ad.	2 1/2	...	...	...	Gr. 10	18 1/4-9 1/2	2 1/2 Int. 1929
Langkat (Comb.)	...	...	...	16 1/2	...	...	...
(Single)	...	...	...	10	...	...	...
S'hai Explorations	...	...	...	1 1/2	£5	4.10-1.40	To. 50 Int. 1927
Loms	...	...	...	5	£5	8.75-4 1/4	7.75 Int. 1926
Rainis	...	...	...	9 1/2	£7	\$6.00-3 1/2	2 1/2 Int. 1929
Tromb Mines	21 1/2	...	...	...	£1	...	4 1/4 Int. 1929
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.							
H. K. & K. Wharves	14 1/2	...	147	...	\$50	14 1/2-120	8 Int. 1928
H. K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	32 1/2	\$50	48 1/2-32 1/2	4 Int. 1924
China Provident	5.40	...	5.35	...	£100	6.00-3.50	1.30 Int. 1924
Hongkong	...	...	...	...	£5	\$100-125	13 Int. 1924
N. Engineering	8 1/2	...	...	...	£5	8.00-6.00	0.40 Int. 1928
Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	141	£75	145-89 1/2	7 1/2 Int. 1929
COTTON MILLS.							
Ewo Cottons	...	21	...	...	£5	23.10-7	To. 40 Int. 1929
S'hai Cottons (old)	...	...	...	04	£50	104-45	4% Int. 1929
(new)	...	...	...	65	£25	76-22 1/2	4% Int. 1929
Zuong Sings	...	...	...	12.80	£10	13-5	6% Int. 1928
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
H. & S. Hotels	6.50	...	...	...	\$10	10.65-7 1/2	1.20 Int. 1924
H. K. Lands	6 1/2	...	...	...	\$15	68 1/2-39	2 Int. 1929
Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	160	£50	16-12 1/2	7 1/2 Int. 1929
Humphreys	14.60	...	...	...	£10	15 1/2-13	1 Int. 1928
H. K. Realities	8 1/2	...	...	...	£10	9.35-7 1/2	0.30 Int. 1929
Chinese Estates	...	98	...	...	...	...	4 Int. 1928
PUBLIC UTILITIES.							
H. K. Tramways	17 1/2	...	19.65/85	...	£5	27 1/2-18	0.50 Int. 1929
Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	11.80	£10	14-11.80	10% Int. 1929
(new)	...	...	...	6.05	£5	9-5.05	10% Int. 1929
Star Ferry	7 1/2	...	7 1/2	...	£5	7 1/2-5.05	10% Int. 1928
Ch. Light (old)	14.10	...	...	...	£5	14.10-9 1/2	5% Int. 1929
(new)	14.90	...	...	...	£5	13.45-5.50	5% Int. 1929
H. K. Electric	6 1/2	...	64 1/2	...	£10	63 1/2-47 1/2	2.50 Int. 1928
Macao	23	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sandakan Lights	...	2 1/2	...	...	£2.50	7.85-3.90	4% Int. 1929
Telephones	7.85	...	...	...	£1	12 1/2-11 1/2	5% Int. 1928
China Buses	19 1/2	...	...	...	£1	1-16 1/2	6d. Int. 1928
S'pore Tractions	20 1/2	...	...	...	£1	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
INDUSTRIALS.							
China Sugars	...	...	95 cm.	...	\$25	13.60-50	In liquidation
Malayan Sugars	...	...	27	...	£30	30-17	3 Int. 1928
Cald. Mag. Ord. Tia	11	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cald. Pref. Tia	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canton Teas	...	...	...	2 1/2	£10	4 1/2-1 1/2	0.80% Int. 1925
Cementa (comb.)	11.30	...	11.30 1/2	...	£8 1/2	12.85-70	0.80% Int. 1925
(old)	9	...	...	...	£7 1/2	\$10-6 1/2	0.10% Int. 1925
(new)	2	...	...	...	£1	2.20-0.80	1.25 Int. 1924
H. K. Ropes	8.70	...	...	...	£10	8.00-6 1/2	...
United Alabaster	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
STORES, &c.							
Dairy Farms	21 1/2	...	...	...	£7 1/2	23 1/2-15 1/2	1.25 Int. 1928
Watsons	11 1/2	...	...	...	£10	15-11	0.80 Int. 1928
Der A. Wings	...	...	...	80 cm.	£6	4-1 1/2	0.30 Int. 1926
Lane Crawford	...	...	...	1 1/2	£10	12-7.75	10% Int. 1928
Mackintosh	18	...	...	...	£10	5 1/2-1 1/2	0.25 Int. 1929
Sinceres	...	...	...	...	£10	...	...
Wm. Powell	...	1 1/2	...	...	£10	...	...
MISCELLANEOUS.							
H. K. Amusements	...	...	...	30	£10	31 1/2-23	2.50 Int. 1929
H. K. Constructions	...	1.10	...	...	£10	1.10-1 1/2	1.50 Int. 1929
H. Ind. G.P. Bonds	...	...	...	64 1/2	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Loans	6 1/2 % Prem.	...	...	...	...	...	...

AUTOMATIC PHONES

NEW EXCHANGE OPENED IN LONDON

Another automatic telephone exchange was opened in London recently, when "Metropolitan," housed in a seven-story building in Wood-street, Cheapside, was inaugurated. Within five minutes, 3,800 subscribers were transferred from the manual to the "dial" system.

The transfer was done with only slight interruption to the service. Colonel Sir Thomas Purves, Engineer-in-Chief of the G.P.O., was present while the transfer was made.

The Wood-street building is constructed to hold three exchanges—Metropolitan, National, and Empire, each of ten thousand lines. At present there are twenty thousand lines in the building. This is about the twentieth automatic exchange in the London area. It is part of the scheme for the whole of the area within a radius of ten miles of Oxford Circus, which will not be completed until about 1940. When the National Exchange opens, a rather smaller number of subscribers will be transferred, mainly from the City Exchange.

Asked if the transfer would result in any of the telephone operators being out of work, an official of the telephone service replied that the girls displaced would be absorbed in other parts of the service. There was a "wastage" every year of about eleven per cent. from marriage and other reasons.

EXCHANGES

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
Bank, wire	1/9
Bank, on demand	1/9 1/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	...
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/9 1/4
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/10
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/10 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	108 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	116 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	...
On New York—	
On demand	42 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	44 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	117 1/2
On demand	117 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	117 1/2
On demand	117 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	75 1/4
On Manila—	
On demand	85 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	77
80 days' sight (private)	...
On Yokohama—	
On demand	88 1/2
Gold-Lent, 100 fine	...
(per tael)	...
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	10.95
Silver (per oz.)	23 1/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Par.

Copper Cash Nominal
Copper Cents 3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest 7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 25% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Yesterday.	
Paris	123.92 1/2
New York	4.86 11/16
Brussels	34.87 1/2
Geneva	25.17 1/2
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Milan	92.94 1/2
Berlin	20.39 1/2
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.21
Oslo	18.20 1/2
Vienna	84.54 1/2
Prague	164 1/2
Helsingfors	193 1/2
Madrid	384 1/2
Lisbon	108 1/2
Athens	37 1/2
Bucharest	81 1/2
Rio	8 1/2
Buenos Aires	47 3/8
Bombay	1/5 27/82
Shanghai	2/2 1/2
Yokohama	1/11 19/32
Hong Kong	1/9 1/2
Silver-Spot	23 1/4
Silver-Forward	23 1/4

The owner of a char-a-banc at Southend, whose coach ran to London, was fined £5 at Southend under the borough's by-laws for not having the seats properly cushioned.

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Sport Columns

ALL OVER EVENS

DIVIDENDS AT JOCKEY CLUB RACES

CHESAPEAKE BAY'S LEAD

Two dividends of over \$100 each and no favourite returning less than evens were the features at Happy Valley yesterday, when the second half of the 1929 flat racing season began. The Hong Kong Jockey Club's sixth extra meeting being decided before a big attendance in auspicious weather and on beautiful going.

No complaint could be made as to the course, which had received its maximum benefit from the summer rest. The enclosure was vastly different from what it had been a few months ago. Old buildings have been demolished and new ones have appeared in their stead.

The scheme of reconstruction, in order to accommodate the new totalisator, is not finished. Nevertheless, in the confines of temporary arrangements, matters went with a swing yesterday—even if there was a little crushing.

At this stage it is visible that the Jockey Club will have, in a few months, as palatial property as any other similar club in the Far East.

Serious Training
Four more days of flat racing will be held before the period of serious training for the annual meeting, these being:

7th extra meeting: October 26,
8th " " November 16,
9th " " November 30,
10th " " December 7.

In only one race yesterday were there fewer than six starters. This was in the Fourth Aggregate Stakes. By beating Christmas Chimes (now with 11½ points) convincingly, Chesapeake Bay leads with 12 points; and there is one more contest to decide the issue.

Two Surprises
Mr. Y. M. Loo, riding his own Our Prince, caused the first (\$100 dividend) surprise in defeating Young Pretender, Duke of Chantilly and Monterey Bay. The three first named raced all the way up the straight in too close company.

An objection was lodged and the red flag went up above the judge's box. The Stewards then posted the following notice:—

"Protest against winner overruled."

"The second pony (Young Pretender) is disqualified."

"Second place awarded to Duke of Chantilly and third place to Monterey Bay."

The Only Protest

It is understood that the protest was lodged by the connections of Young Pretender, against Our Prince; and that this was the only protest.

Mr. Arnold, who has already shown promise, was responsible for the other \$100 dividend, bringing Nara Stag home in confident fashion in the 1¼ miles "B" class handicap.

Mr. G. A. Harriman rode three winners. Mr. A. J. P. Heard had the unusual experience—for him—of not catching the Judge's eye once, but he was under the disadvantage of a recent polo accident. Results and details follow:—

Jordan Handicap: "C" Class: Six Furlongs.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.
Mr. F. Lobel's Sunshine 150 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 1
Messrs. Lau and Lee's Duke of Chantilly 153 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 2
Mr. Mac's Zephyr 165 lbs. (Mr. Frost) 3
Also ran: Amusement Tax (Mr. S. Y. Liang), Armony (Mr. A. B. S. Clarke), As You Like It (Mr. Churchill), Cavalier (Mr. Proulx), Desert Wind (Mr. H. C. Nookhall), Duke of Nieblung (Dr. Macgown), Fair Eyes (Mr. Y. M. Loo), Fanling Stag (Mr. McCartney), Inca (Mr. Ip Kai-ying), Kom Tong Hall (Mr. Ho Sai-man), Rummy (Mr. Backhouse), The Jungle Book (Mr. Botelho), The Platinigan (Mr. Roza).
Time: 1:36.
Three lengths; two lengths.
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$15.40; Places, \$7.50, \$12.50.

Jordan Handicap: "B" Class: Six Furlongs.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.
Messrs. Tester and Abraham's The Ape 155 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 1
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Aish 155 lbs. (Mr. Frost) 2
Mrs. K. E. Beith's Cream Cracker 159 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 3
Also ran: Ace of Spades (Dr. Macgown), Aristophanes (Mr. Stanton), Delaware Bay (Mr. Soares), Erastwhile (Mr. McCartney), Flying Stag (Mr. Remedios), The Jamaica (Mr. Newbigging).
Time: 1 min. 35 secs.
Length and a half; four lengths.
Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$11.60; Places, \$5.70, \$7.50, \$5.70.

Jordan Handicap: "A" Class: Six Furlongs.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.
Mr. Yam Man's Our Prince 150 lbs. (Mr. Y. M. Loo) 1
Messrs. Lau and Lee's Duke of Chantilly 153 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 2
Mr. Hau Un's Monterey Bay 155 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 3
Also ran: Buster (Mr. Stanton), Lightning (Mr. Frost), O-Moon (Mr. Proulx), Samaritan (Mr. Churchill).
Young Pretender (Mr. Harriman) finished 2nd but was disqualified.
Time: 1 min. 31 secs.
Half length; three quarters length.
Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$109.40; Places, \$20.20, \$7.90, \$6.20.

Fourth Aggregate Stakes: One Mile. Value \$590. For all China Ponies. Weight 10 st. 9 lb. Winners of a race Value \$600 or over other than a race confined to Subscription Grifins, or Ponies that have won the aggregate prize in the Aggregate Stakes in any season, 6 lb. extra. Non-winning Subscriptions Grifins allowed 5 lb. A Cup to be run for five times, or as decided by the Committee, called the Aggregate Cup, will be presented at the end of the season to be won by the pony scoring most marks in the races for the Aggregate Stakes at the extra meetings during the season, counting 4 points for a first; 2 for a second; and 1 for a third. In the event of two or more ponies tying with the same number of marks after five races have been run the owners shall either divide the value of the Cup which is hereby placed at \$1,000, or shall run off on a day to be fixed by the Committee, not being the same day as the last race for the Stakes but within two weeks thereafter. In the event of the off the weights shall be weight for weight as per scale. Entrance fee \$5. 2nd prize: \$300. 3rd Prize: \$150.
Mr. H. S. Chan's Chesapeake Bay 159 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 1
Messrs. Beith and Heard's Christmas Chimes 162 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 2
Mr. Yam Man's One Third 164 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 3
Also ran: Huntington (Mr. Frost).
Time: 2 mins. 6 secs.
Four lengths; two lengths and a half.
Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$10.70; Places, \$5.60, \$5.50.

Nathan Handicap: "B" Class: One and a Quarter Miles.—For China Ponies. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$100.
Messrs. Chan and Rafeek's Nara Stag 144 lbs. (Mr. Arnold) 1
Mr. Dynasty's "King Falloch 150 lbs. (Mr. Newbigging) 2
Mr. K. H. Kay's Szatmar 140 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse) 3
Also ran: Duke of Normandy II. (Mr. Lee), Loch Etive (Mr. Heard), Monk (Mr. Harriman), Nookhall (Mr. Frost), Sunning Lee (Dr. Macgown).
*Two lbs. over; one lb. over.

Time: 2 mins. 45.2/5 secs.
Three lengths; two lengths.
Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$109.20; Places \$20.90, \$18.70, \$30.20.

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CRICKET

INTERPORT TRIAL CONCLUDED YESTERDAY

A FRIENDLY MATCH

The Interport trial match was concluded yesterday. The two teams contending were Hancock's XI and an XI captained by H. Owen Hughes.

The latter team went in to bat on Saturday and completed 311 runs.

The scores were:—

Owen-Hughes' Team—1st Innings
Major R. H. Crake, c Pearce, b Parker 62
D. J. N. Anderson, c Zimmern, b Bowker 5
E. C. Finch, b Brace 7
E. C. Finch, c Zimmern, b Reed 4
Capt. J. R. Reynolds, retired 73
H. Owen-Hughes, retired 64
W. D. Folley, c Zimmern, b Bowker 12
W. A. N. Maxwell, not out 55
J. E. Richardson, c Reed, b Parker 5
W. C. Hung, lbw, b Bowker 5
A. Reid, b Parker 19
Extras 19
Total 311

Bowling Analysis

Bowker 13 3 65 3
Reed 19 2 65 1
Brace 12 1 39 1
Parker 12 5 77 3
Stanion 5 0 38 0
Curreen 2 0 18 0

H. R. B. Hancock's Team

W. Brace, b Wyatt 31
T. E. Pearce, b Hung 12
A. H. Musson, c Anderson, b Reed 12
H. R. B. Hancock, b Wyatt 9
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Richardson 25
F. Zimmern, c & b Wyatt 0
J. S. A. Curreen, b Anderson 1
V. W. L. Stanion, c Folley, b Musson 15
H. V. Parker, st. Crake, b Owen-Hughes 44
F. J. Wyatt, run out 1
A. C. I. Bowker, not out 40
E. B. Reed, run out 5
Extras 20
Total 215

Bowling Analysis

W. C. Hung 8 2 24 1
A. Reid 12 1 41 1
Wyatt 9 2 24 3
D. J. N. Anderson 8 5 3 14 1
Musson 8 2 23 1
Richardson 5 2 28 1
Reynolds 5 0 15 0
Folley 5 0 16 0
Owen Hughes 3 1 15 1

Owen-Hughes' Team—2nd Innings

Anderson, c Zimmern, b Reed 5
Fincher, not out 48
Goldman, lbw, b Bowker 7
Richardson, retired hurt 1
Folley, lbw, b Bowker 39
Musson, c Parker, b Wyatt 2
Reed, b Parker 30
Hung, b Parker 0
Extras 5
Total (for 7 wks.) 105

Bowling Analysis

Bowker 7 2 13 2
Reed 9 5 18 1
Wyatt 9 2 50 1
Parker 8 1 18 2
Brace 1 0 1 0

CRAIGENGOWER V. RECREIO

At King's Park the Craingower XI defeated the Club de Recreio by 84 runs. Scores:—

Club de Recreio
H. M. Xavier, c Lacey, b Hamson 7
H. A. Alves, run out 3
D. P. Xavier, b Hamson 3
L. J. Guterres, c Lim, b Gill 17
A. P. Guterres, c & b Lacey 21
F. Remedios, c Champion, b Lim 37
F. N. Carvalho, not out 18
J. Figueiredo, b Champion 20
C. M. Souza, c Zimmern, b Lim 0
L. Silva, c Lim, b Champion 0
A. E. Xavier, run out 0
Extras 8
Total 112

Bowling Analysis

Hamson 6 1 13 2
Olive 4 0 13 0
Lacey 3 0 12 1
Lim 4 0 17 2
Champion 2 3 0 8 2

Craigengower

H. P. Lim, lbw, D. P. Xavier 11
E. Zimmern, b D. P. Xavier 77
R. P. Reed, c A. A. Xavier, b D. P. Xavier 43
A. E. Lacey, c Remedios, b Carvalho 15
Carvalho, b H. Alves 1
Y. Abbas, run out 1
W. Gill, b Remedios 83
A. B. Hamson, not out 1
F. Olive, st. L. J. Guterres, b Souza 2

ATHLETIC SPORTS

S.C.A.A. MEMBERS IN FIELD CONTEST

THE FINAL RESULTS

Yesterday was the second day of the South China Athletic Association sports, and all the events were keenly contested.

There was a large and representative gathering present to watch the boys and girls in friendly contest.

Sze To-kwong captured 27 points in the Senior Class thus winning the championship. In the Junior Class Fung Tung-fan secured the championship with 20 points.

The small boys' championship was won by Mok Wa-tim and the girls' championship went to Chu Wing-nam with 18 points.

The Results

The full results are as under:—
100 Metres Flat Race (Senior): 1, Li Tin-sang; 2, Ching Shiu-nam; 3, Leung Wing-chiu. Time: 12.4 secs.
100 Metres Flat Race (Small Boys): 1, Chan Kwan; 2, Mok Wa-tim; 3, Hau Ching-kai. Time: 15.6 secs.

100 Metres Flat Race (Junior): 1, Yung Tung-fan; 2, Hau Ching-to; 3, Pun Kai-cheung. Time: 14.0 secs.
Running Broad Jump (Senior): 1, Sze-to Kwong; 2, Kong Yau-mong; 3, Ip Koon-ning. Distance: 5.88 metres.

200 Metres Flat Race (Junior): 1, Yung Tung-fan; 2, Pun Kai-cheung; 3, Hau Ching-to. Time: 30 secs.
200 Metres Flat Race (Senior): 1, Li Tin-sang; 2, Ching Shiu-nam; 3, Sze-to Kwong. Time: 24.6 secs.

Putting the Shot (Girls): 1, Wong Ki-tong; 2, Chu Wing-man; 3, Lo Kit-hing. Distance: 6.85 metres.
100 Metres Flat Race (Over 35): 1, Chan Tak-chiu; 2, Hung Yan-chau; 3, Mak Cheuk-u.

400 Metres Flat Race (Senior): 1, Li Tin-sang; 2, Ching Shiu-kwai; 3, Ip Yau-sum. Time: 59 secs.
50 Metres Flat Race (Small Boys): 1, Mok Wa-tim; 2, Chan Kwan; 3, Hau Ching-kai. Time: 8 secs.

Pole Jump (Senior): 1, Li Woon-tsoi; 2, Wei Wing-sum; 3, Kong Yau-mong. Height: 9ft. 2 ins.
Step, Hop and Jump (Senior): 1, Sze-to Kwong; 2, Yung Kam-cho; 3, Wei Wing-sum. Distance: 12.10 metres.

200 Metres Low Hurdles (Senior): 1, Leung Wing-chiu; 2, Yung Kam-cho; 3, Sze-to Kwong. Time: 30.3 secs.
200 Metres Flat Race (Handicap): 1, Ching Shiu-nam; 2, Ip Yau-sum; 3, Ip Tuen-sing.

50 Metres Flat Race (Girls): 1, Chu Wing-man; 2, Yung Wai-bun; 3, Li Mo-fun. Time: 8.15 secs.
1,500 Metres Flat Race (Senior): 1, Ching Shiu-kwai; 2, Li Tin-sang; 3, Fung King-cheung. Time: 5 mins. 10.8 secs.

High Jump (Junior): 1, Pun Kai-cheung; 2, Lam Kou-dok; 3, Mak Ki-shau. Height: 1.24 metres.
Running Broad Jump (Small Boys): 1, Li Pui-ying; 2, Chan Yui-shuen; 3, Tsang Yik-wo. Distance: 3.45 metres.

100 Metres Official Race: 1, Pau Ka-ying; 2, Shak Tak-on; 3, Ho Shiu-on.
400 Metres Relay Race (Boy Scouts): 1, South China 8th troop "A"; 2, South China 8th troop "A". Time: 56 secs.

400 Metres Relay Race (Small Boys): 1, South China School; 2, South China Free School. Time: 1 min. 9.4 secs.
400 Metres Relay Race (Junior): 1, S. C. Free School; 2, S. C. Boy Scouts; 3, S. C. School. Time: 1 min. 4.6 secs.

400 Metres Relay Race (Girls): 1, Diocesan Girls' School "A"; 2, Diocesan Girls' School "B"; 3, South China "A". Time: 1 min. 4 secs.
800 Metres Relay Race (Open): 1, K.O.S.B.; 2, Chinese Athletic; 3, K.B.S.F.P.A.

Champion: Senior, Sze-to Kwong, 27 points; Junior, Yung Tung-fan, 20 points; Small Boys, Mok Wa-tim, 19 points; Girls, Chu Wing-man, 18 points.

A. L. Souza, run out 0
G. C. Kelly, c Silva, b Remedios 11
Extras 12
Total 198

Bowling Analysis

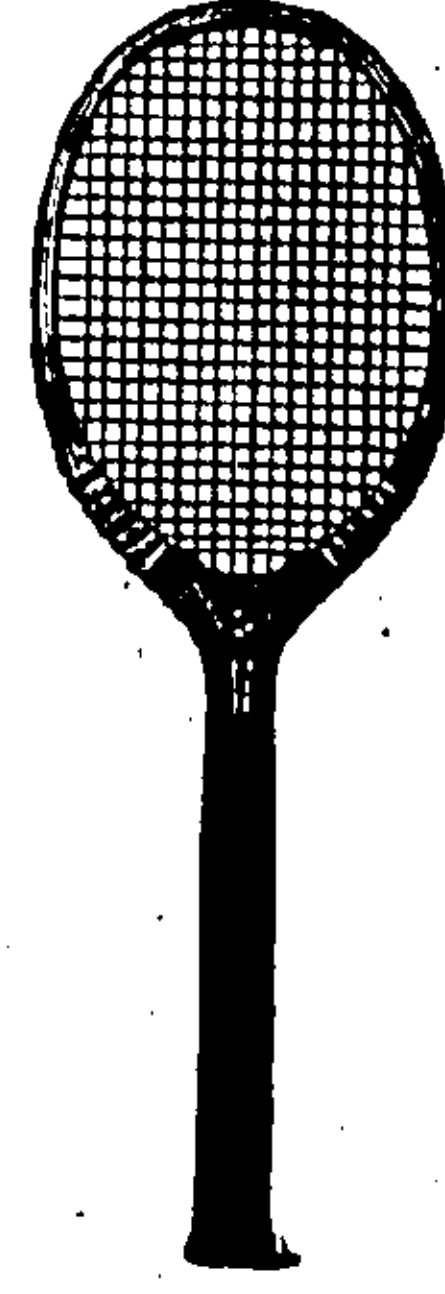
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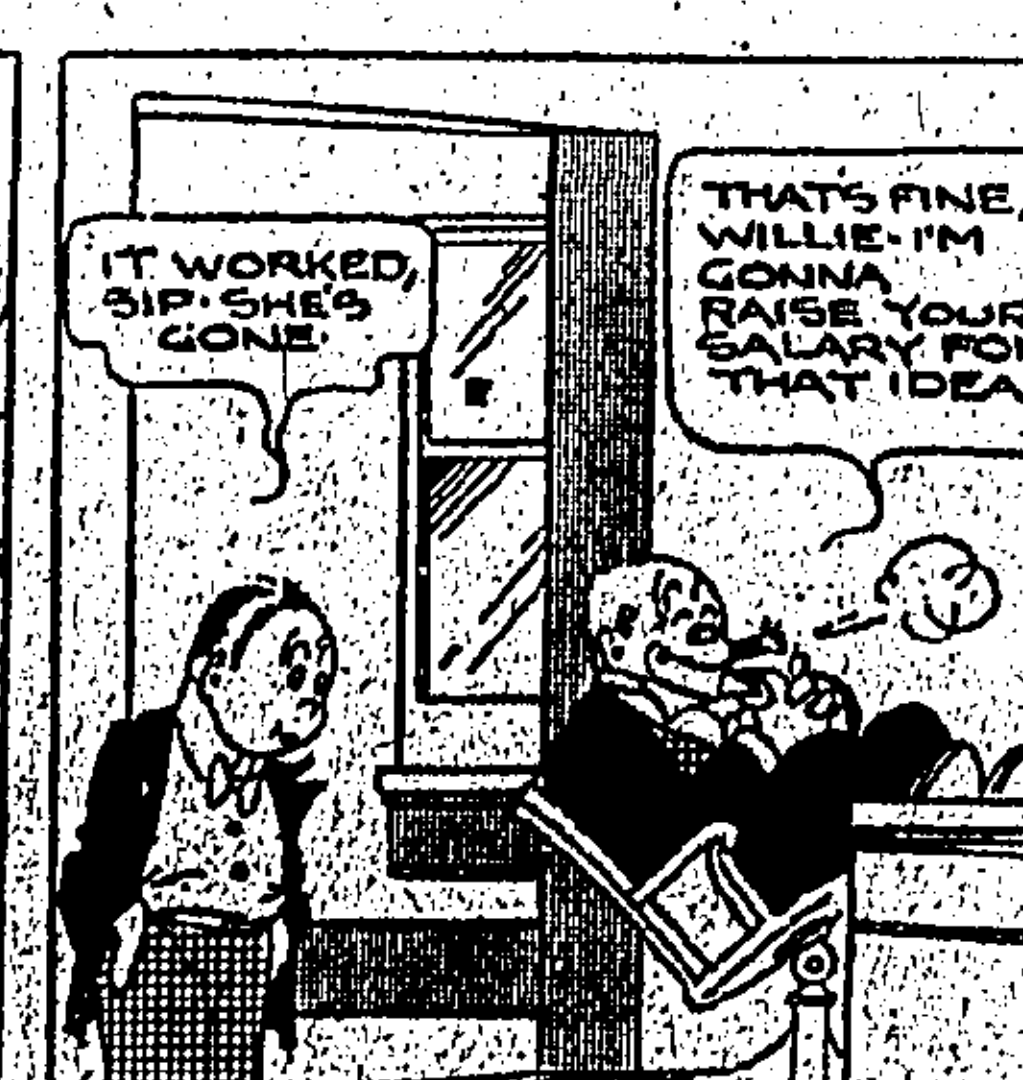
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World News In Pictures

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Recent Palestine Trouble



Druse and Arab tribesmen of Syria who were mentioned in the cables about the Arab-Jew trouble.

Golf Tournament



S. Hamilton Wright, the only American entrant in the boys' international golf tournament held recently in Edinburgh, Scotland, was defeated in the second round. He could not compete with some of the juvenile "stars" from other countries.

A Triple Winner



"Believe it or not," but N. E. Noble, manager of a Winnipeg stockbrokers' firm, won the Manitoba Club's sweepstakes on the Epsom Derby three years in succession. Five hundred tickets are drawn in the Canadian city for the event each year and Mr. Noble won the coveted prize in 1927, 1928 and 1929.

Police on Duty in Jerusalem



The above illustration gives a good idea of the type of police who were on duty in Jerusalem at the time of the Arab riots.

Rabbi Slain



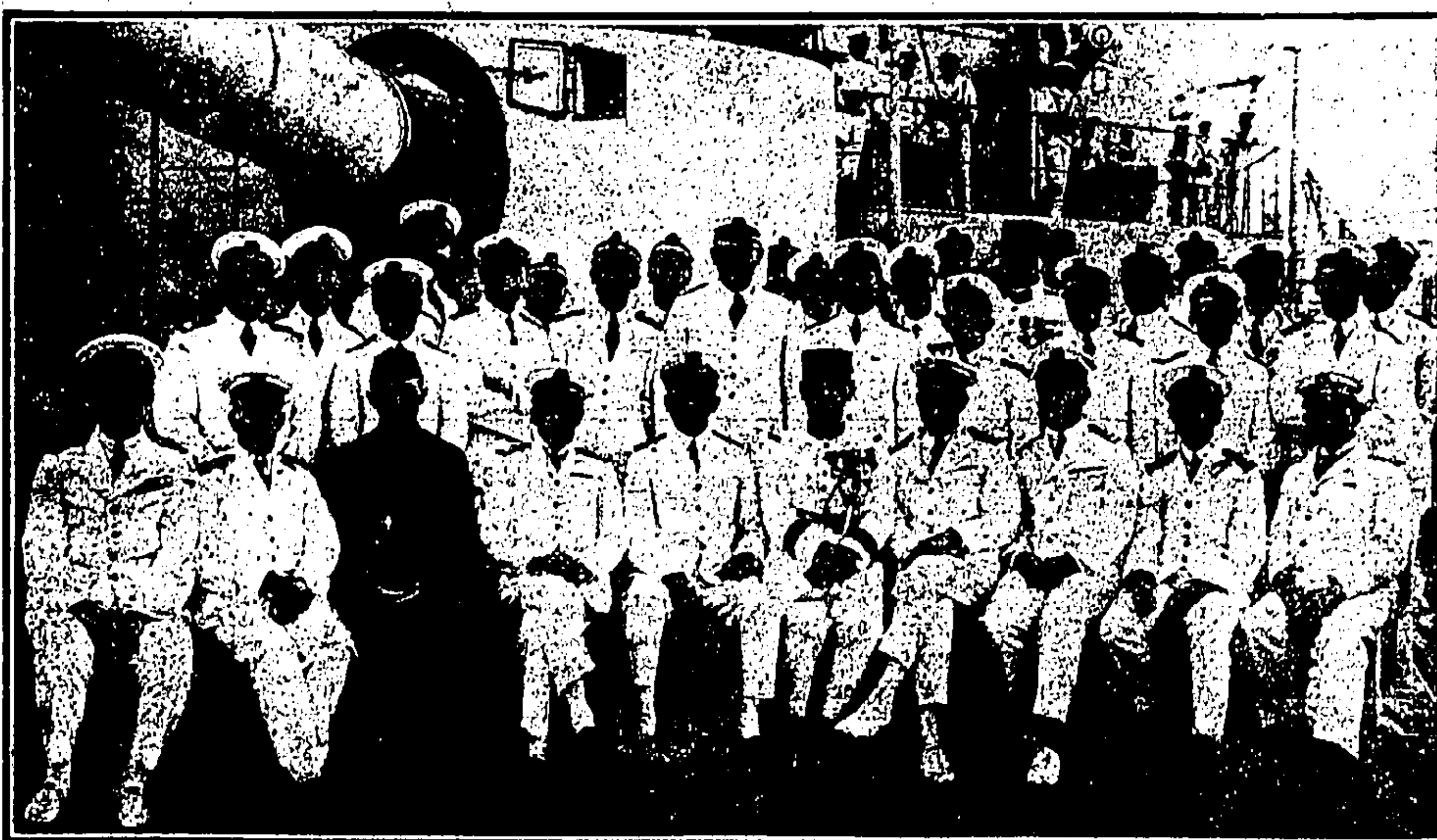
William Berman, a Rabbi, was slain by Arab raiders in the Palestine during the heavy fighting in Jerusalem. His brother, Morris, who was with him at the time of the raid, was reported uninjured.

Walking Champion



Miss Elizabeth Brown, a stenographer, arrived home after walking from Texas to New Jersey. She estimated that her total journey took in some 2,000 miles and recited many adventures en route.

New French Admiral And His Staff.



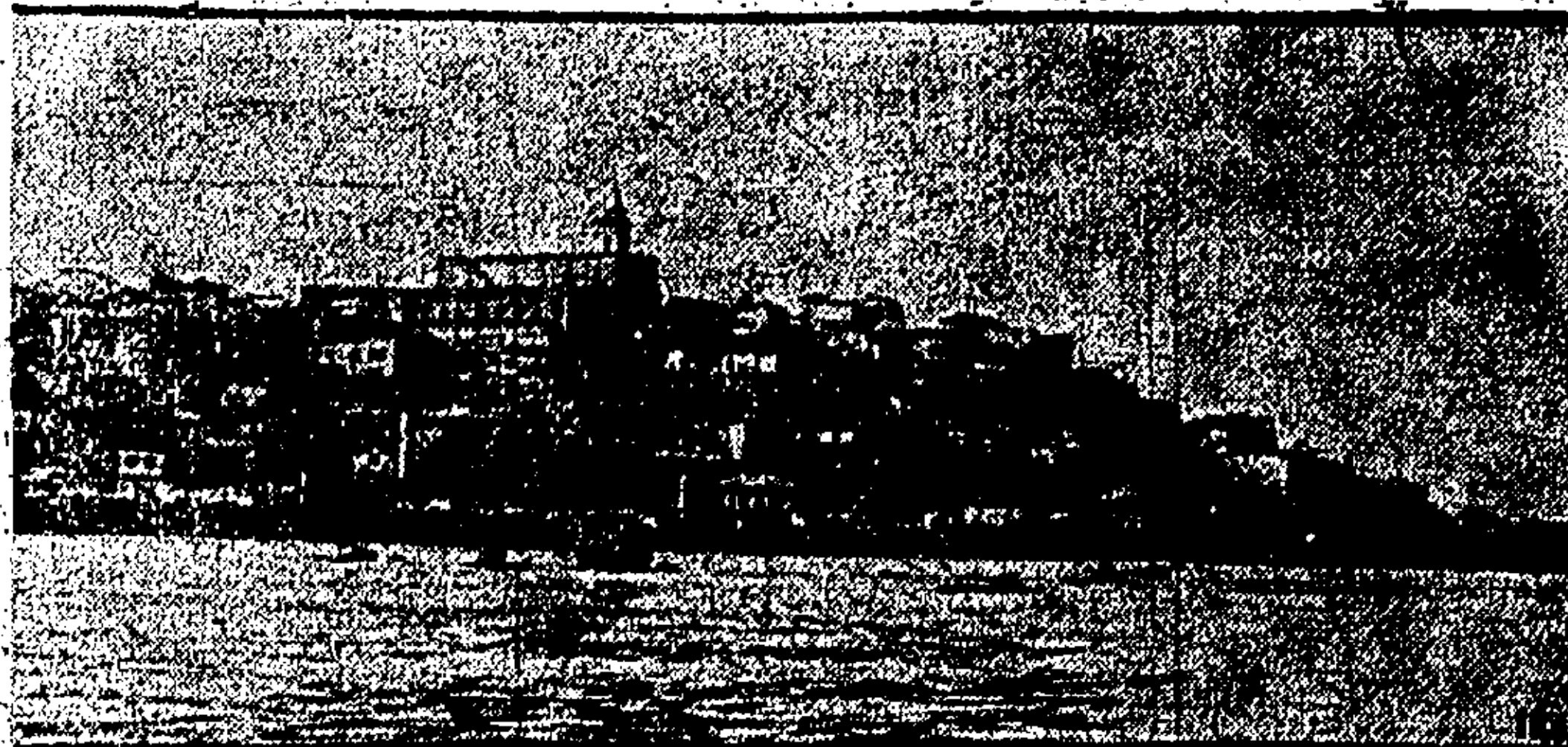
Rear-Admiral Georges Mouget, new Commander-in-Chief of the French Naval Forces in the Far East, succeeding the late Rear-Admiral Stolz, is here shown with his staff and military officers aboard the cruiser "Waldeck-Rousseau" (flagship). On Admiral Mouget's left is Colonel Mallet, Commander of the French Defence Forces in Shanghai. (Josephs).

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Harry Saunders (left), engineer of the special Canadian Pacific Railway train that recently took E. W. Beatty, president of the railway, and several directors on a tour of the Maritime Provinces, and Charles Henderson, conductor on the train, represent between them just over a hundred years' service with the company. Mr. Henderson has put in 53 years of service, making him the dean of C.P.R. engineers; Mr. Saunders has a record of 46 years' railway service.

The Sea Gate To Jerusalem



The port of Jaffa, where three British warships arrived with Marines and R.A.F. units during an early stage of the Arab tribesmen's revolt.

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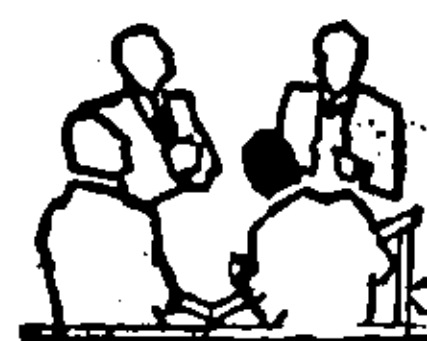
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RADIO TOPICS

SLOW-MOTION DIALS

A PRACTICAL ARTICLE FOR THE CONSTRUCTOR

[By G. V. Dowding]

Slow-Motion dials do not directly affect the electrical qualities of a set; their purpose is to make it easy to get very close adjustments with variable condensers. Some variable condensers have slow-motion movements incorporated in them and others have not, but there is little practical difference between a slow-motion variable and an ordinary variable that has a slow-motion dial fixed to it. Indeed, the result is almost identically the same.

Now a reaction condenser does not want a slow-motion dial. The set need never be operated so close to oscillation that gearing is needed to give you a minute approach, and there is not so much to be gained by having slow-motion dials even on the tuning variable condensers of some sets.

For instance, slow motion will not be needed if you merely want 5 GB, 5 XX and 2 LO on a local station loud-speaker outfit, but if you have a set capable of running round the Continental stations, then geared variables become very useful.

There are a large number of slow-motion dials available, although it is to be feared that quite a few of these are not so satisfactory as they might be. On the other hand, there are many that are excellent.

Points To Be Watched
There are a number of points that must be examined in a slow-motion dial. In my opinion, the first thing is its appearance. Apart from a switch knob or two, the condenser dials are the only things that one sees on a radio receiver. It is all very well for the baseboard components to be beautifully finished and the whole "innards" of the set spick and span, but it is the cabinet, panel and condenser dials that have to appeal to the eye. And we have long since passed the day when appearance was a secondary consideration.

The movement of a slow-motion dial must be smooth and free from backlash. Let me explain what backlash is, as there may be some readers who, although they have probably seen the word a good many times, are not quite clear as to its meaning.

Backlash is a mechanical defect, and these are its symptoms. You turn the dial slowly round until a certain reading is reached, and then stop at that point. When you try to move back again to a lower reading you have to rotate the adjustment knob a tiny way before the vanes of the variable condenser are set in motion. In short, there is "play" between the adjustment knob or dial and the spindle carrying the moving vanes. This is a very serious defect in a slow-motion dial, because it is essential for precise and easy manipulation that there should be a corresponding movement of the vanes with every microscopic adjustment of the controlling knob or dial.

Smooth Action Essential
There should be a uniform resistance in the movement. You do not want the gearing to be too loose and you do not want it to be stiff; the ideal drive provides you with a compromise between the two and, obviously, there should not be a patchy motion; the control knob rotating smoothly at first and then

striking a hard or sloppy patch. I am saying nothing about the kind of gearing incorporated in the device, for this really does not matter providing the result is a smooth action. Some manufacturers achieve satisfactory operation with carefully cut cog-wheels, while others employ friction drives. Even worm gears and epicyclic arrangements are to be found.

Now you do not want the gearing to be of too high a ratio unless you have a direct drive as well as the geared drive. And, by the way, if you have a direct drive, see that this, too, is smooth and that its action has not been sacrificed in order to achieve a smooth "vernier" drive.

Ratios of Gearing
With a gearing of anything between 4 to 1 and 6 to 1, a direct drive is not essential and very close adjustment at any point of the scale can very rapidly be made. Microscopic settings are possible with condensers with gearings of 10 to 1 and 32 to 1, and higher although if you have no direct drive it takes a long while to get around the dial.

A high ratio slow-motion dial fitted with a small adjustment knob is more of a nuisance than an asset, and here is a very important factor and one I want you particularly to take note of. To get the best out of a geared condenser drive a finely engraved scale with a sharp indicator or "hair line" are quite vital.

In the case of the "hair line" indicator, this should come closely up against the scale, as otherwise it is liable to cast a confusing shadow. Some types of slow-motion dials are provided with almost completely concealed scales; you note the settings and make calibrations through an aperture. Personally, I prefer to see the whole scale, which is in effect one's radio operations map, but this may be an old-fashioned view.

One thing is certain, and that is that the aperture idea is a failure unless the figures on the scale are bold and easy to see without having to crouch down in front of the panel.

Concerning Drum Drives
One of the great advantages of the old plain dial was that almost invariably it had a scale engraved on a bevelled edge. You nearly always look down at the panel of a receiver, and the beveling brought the scale at about the right angle.

I suppose drum drives could hardly be placed in the category of slow-motion dials. They are a class of their own, but a few words about them are necessary. Most of the above remarks apply to these devices. Practically every drum drive I have examined has answered to all the above requirements.

I am, of course, referring to geared drum drives. They are harder to mount on a panel than ordinary slow-motion dials because they necessitate the cutting of a large hole. Nevertheless, they are of handsome appearance and are very nice to handle. Also they tend to make the operation of sets having several tuned circuits a much easier matter.

Ganging can be accomplished without the necessity of precise circuit balancing. You can have two or three drum drives all in close juxtaposition so that they can be adjusted either individually or collectively. This makes station searching an easier business with sets having two or three H.F. stages.

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"March of the Bojars" (Halvorsen),
"Bridal Procession" (Grieg, Op. 19), Columbia Symphony Orchestra.
"The Question" (Wolstenholme),
"The Answer", Organ Solo, Reginald Goss-Custard.
"Suite of Serenades" (Herbert), Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra.

"Twisting the Dials", Comedians, The Happiness Boys.
"The Merchant of Venice" (F. Rosse), Organ Solo, Quentin M. MacLean.
No. 1 Prelude
No. 2 Intermezzo "Portia"
No. 3 Oriental March.
"Hawaiian Nights—Waltz" (Roberts).

"Aloma" (Robert Hood Bowers), Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.
"The Swan" (Saint-Saens),
"Prelude in E Flat, Op. 99",
"Mariana Overture" (Wallace), Columbia Symphony Orchestra.
"Prelude in C Sharp Minor" (Rachmaninoff),
Organ Solo, Marcel Depre.
"Humoresque" (Dvorak, Op. 101, No. 7), Organ Solo, G. T. Pattman.

"The Desert Song—Piano Medley" (Romberg), Pianoforte Solo, Billy Mayerl.
"The Desert Song—Vocal Gems", Columbia Light Opera Company.
"Kiss Me Again" (Herbert),
"Serenade" (Toselli), Organ Solo, Eddie Dunstetter.
"Sonata in B Minor for Pianoforte" (Chopin), Pianoforte Solo, Percy Grainger.

"Tannhauser—Pilgrims' Chorus" (Wagner),
"Trovatore—Anvil Chorus" (Verdi), Victor Mixed Chorus.
"Sweet Suzanne" (Gilbert & Leslie),
Waltz, Lady Divine (Shikret & Kouniz),
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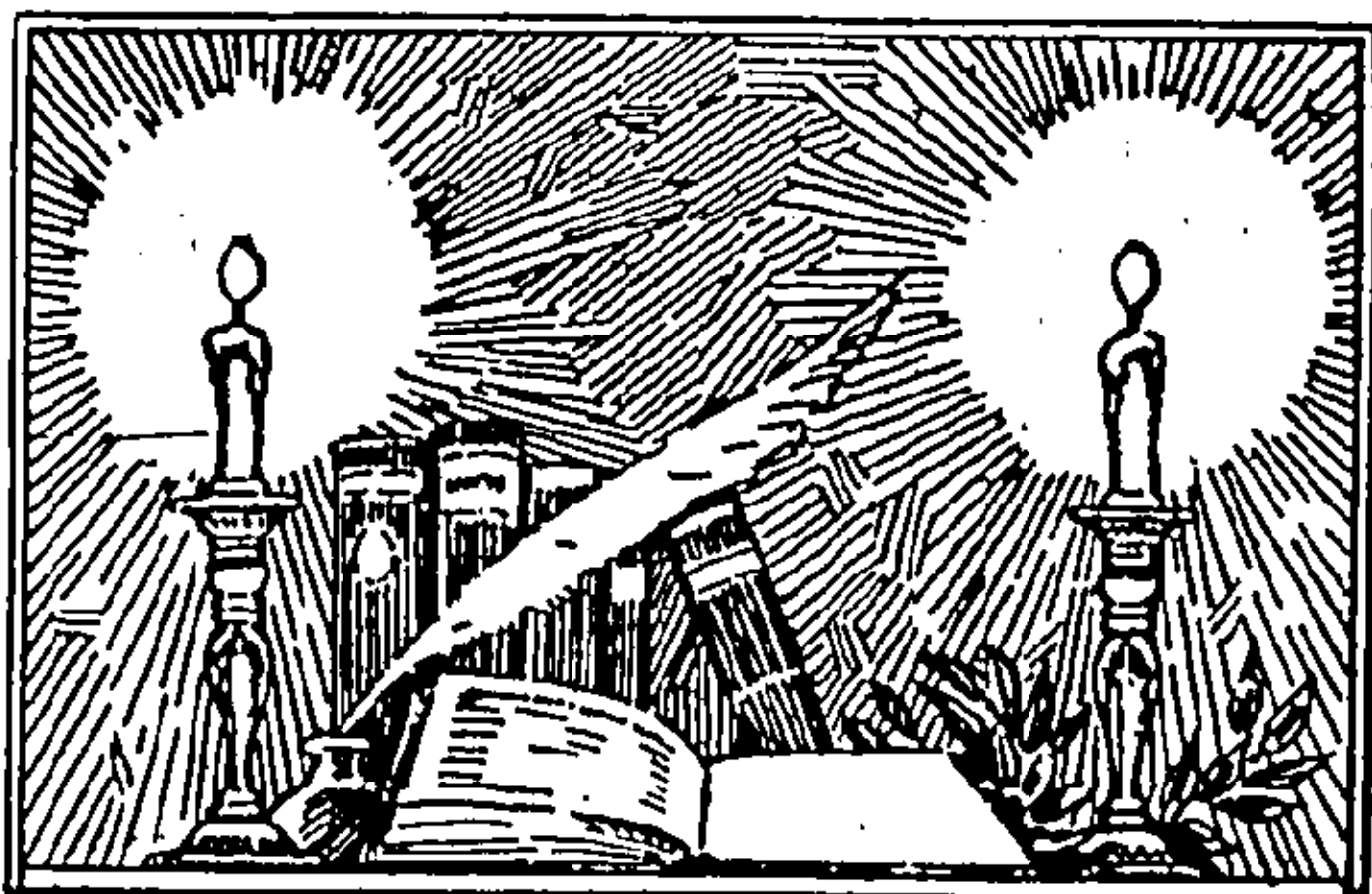
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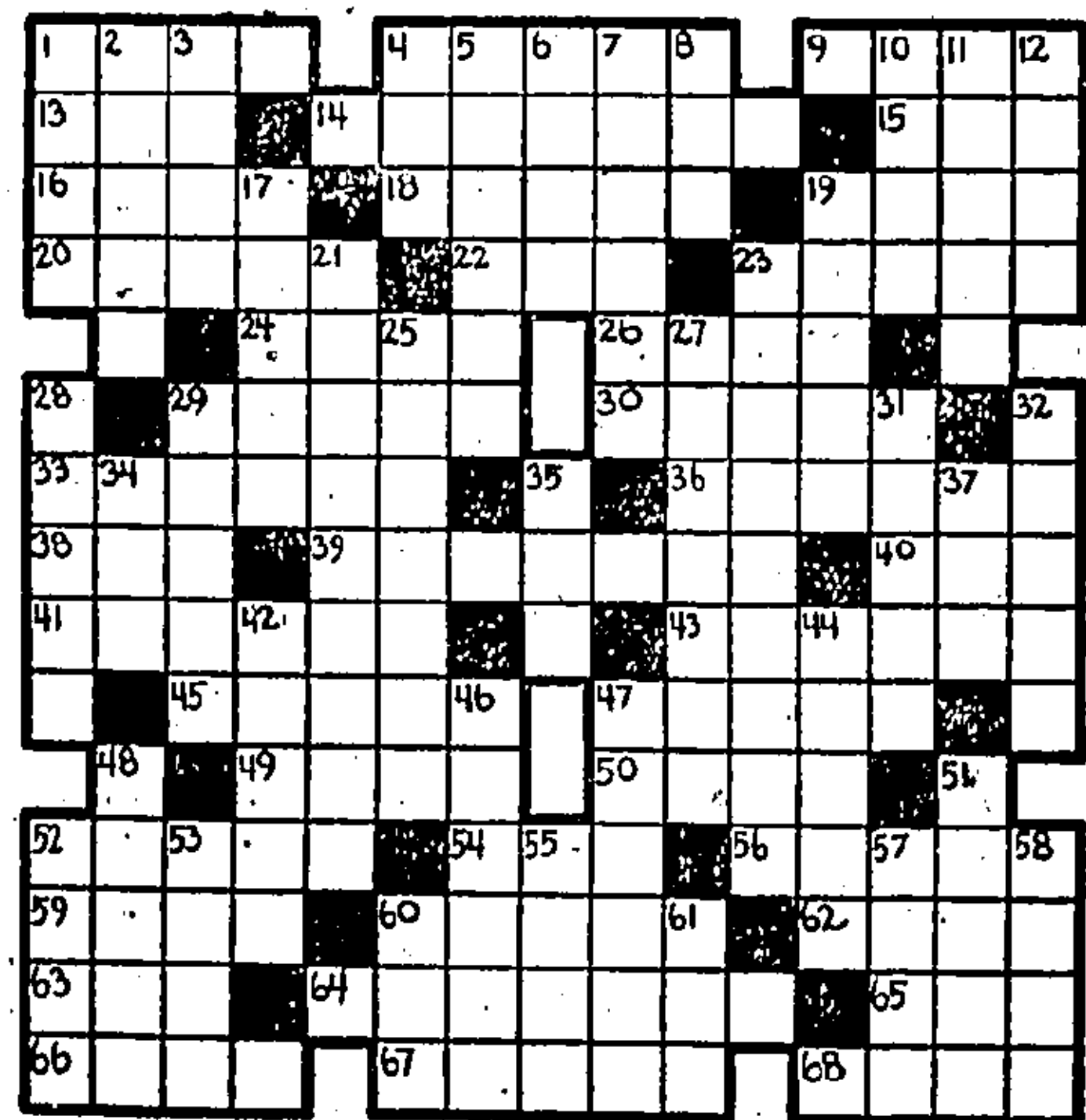
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- 1-Kind of boat
- 4-Remains
- 9-Open space
- 13-Scuttles
- 14-Abashed
- 15-Head
- 16-Dietary herb
- 18-Of excellent quality
- 19-Ago
- 20-Maidens
- 22-Anger
- 23-Is carried
- 25-Place of news
- 26-At that time
- 29-Leather belt
- 30-Bonches
- 33-Beam
- 36-Aver
- 38-Afternoon meal
- 39-Bugs
- 40-Card game
- 41-Chest
- 43-Pitcher
- 45-Partaining to Switzerland
- 47-Persian talies
- 49-Proposition

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 50-Units
- 52-Dit
- 54-Allow
- 55-Postpone
- 59-Trouse
- 60-Peels
- 62-Couch
- 63-Cereal grain
- 64-Retracts
- 65-Sleep, as fax
- 66-English college
- 67-Touchy
- 68-Exalted

VERTICAL

- 1-Rough coat, as of hair
- 2-Stomach pain
- 3-Smell
- 4-Serpent
- 5-A small person (slang)
- 6-Part of the head
- 7-Ants
- 8-Perceive
- 10-Serve
- 11-Makes lighter
- 12-Natural gifts

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 17-Choice part of society
- 19-Liquid measure (pl.)
- 21-Exerting
- 22-Encouraged
- 25-Serious
- 27-Blighted people
- 28-Dead language
- 29-Quarrels
- 31-Purveys
- 32-Large bird
- 34-Indite
- 35-Marry
- 37-Fish eggs
- 42-Due
- 44-Accends
- 45-Comfort
- 47-Powerful
- 48-Ermine
- 51-Allude
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- 55-Proposition
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- 57-Golf warning
- 58-Assess
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Many of the articles included in the new volumes, whose preparation represents an investment of \$4,000,000, were written within the past year and in some cases as recent data as two months ago are chronicled. The presses were stopped to include an article on the accord between Italy and the Vatican.

Some of the typical new subjects include television, shop front design, family budget, household appliances, the American frontier, frauds and swindles, cost of living, artificial gems, medical and legal aspects of aviation, industrial research, and children's books.

An article on the outlaws of war was written by Mr. Kellogg. Lon Chaney and Otto Skinner described the art of make-up; George Bernard Shaw

wrote of Socialism, Roy Chapman Andrews on exploration in Mongolia and William Beebe on the Galapagos Islands, while Henry Ford described the principles and methods of mass production.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Kamo Maru (Due Marseilles, Nov. 17.)

K.P.O. G.P.O.
Registration, Oct. 18, 4.30 p.m. Registration, Oct. 18, 8.45 a.m.
Letters, Oct. 19, 9 a.m. Letters, Oct. 19, 9.30 a.m.
Tourists Chungking 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19.

Manila President Harrison 5 p.m.

A WOMAN'S LAPSE

STEALS JACKET & TROUSERS FOR FOOD

HUSBAND AWAY

At the Central Magistracy before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning a Chinese married woman was charged on two counts of theft of clothing.

The case for the prosecution was that she and two other women were living on the same flat at 21, Third-street. Two days ago, one of the tenants missed a pair of trousers.

The theft was traced to the defendant, who admitted that she stole the clothing for the purpose of raising money to buy food; her husband being away at sea.

His Worship passed sentence of two weeks' hard labour on each count, the sentences to run consecutively.

A TOY PISTOL

THREE CHINESE IN ARMED ROBBERY CHARGE

AN INMATE

Armed with a toy pistol and a dagger, three Chinese were alleged to have attempted to rob a house in 45, Ko Shing-street. They were charged at the Central Magistracy this morning before Mr. E. W. Hamilton.

Two of the men were arrested elsewhere and a third man was apprehended on the premises; he being one of the inmates of the house.

Sgt. Whelan applied for a week's remand in the case of the first and third accused, and two days in police custody in the case of the second defendant. This was granted.

"ALL QUIET"

TROOPS BEING RECALLED FOR DISTRICTS

NO ATTACK EXPECTED

Hankow, Yesterday.

The situation locally continues quiet, and there does not appear to be any expectation of an attack for the present.

Troops are constantly being recalled from outlying districts, while further forces are arriving from down-river. They are being despatched to the Peking-Hankow Railway.—Reuter.

The following is the programme of music to be given by the Band of the 2nd Bn. K.O.S.B., at the final of the Polo Match to-morrow (Wednesday) between the K.O.S.B. and the Civilians.

March, "The British Legion" (Biddood), Overture, "The Merry Monarch" (Herold), Selection, "Eric A. Brac" (Fincke), Three Dances, "Henry VIII" (German), Suite, "Divertissement Espagnol" (Desormes), Selection, "Wake Up and Dream" (Porter), Entracte, "The Laughing Marionette" (Collins), Galop, "John Peel" (Hunt), "Blue Bonnets o'er the Border," and "God Save the King."
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AT THE
MAJESTIC
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EXPORTING OPIUM

MAGISTRATE AND THE ONUS OF PROOF

GUILTY KNOWLEDGE

Judgment was delivered by Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning at the Central Magistracy in the case in which a Chinese named Lam Kou was charged with the exporting of 2,000 taels of illicit opium to Manila by the s.s. "President Jackson."

The case for the prosecution was that the defendant had actually shipped a bale, purporting to be piece goods, through the Dollar Steamship Co. The bale when on arrival at Manila, was discovered to contain opium to the value of \$25,000.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, Sen. defended, and the case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. H. A. Taylor, Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

AMPHIBIAN PLANE

PLANS FOR CHINA'S CONQUEST OF THE AIR

REGULAR SERVICES

Shanghai, Yesterday.

An amphibian plane, belonging to Aviation Exploration Incorporated, from Shanghai yesterday morning, arrived at Hankow in the afternoon and returned to Shanghai this afternoon, completing 12,000 miles in roughly 12 hours actual flying. It was a trial trip. The regular service starts on October 17 when it is intended that planes from Shanghai and Hankow each morning will make trips of seven hours.

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CANTON ICE CO.

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TEMPERATURE

Temperature, 10 a.m., to-day 74

Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday 81

Humidity, 10 a.m., to-day 74

Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday 57

ports. An official from the Manila Customs was present to give evidence.

Handed To Him

The defence was that the case was handed to him by a man named Wong Yik for shipment. Accused was employed by the Yuen Loi firm, and as an assistant it was his duty to ship goods for his firm as well as goods belonging to customers of the firm. He had about three or four years ago shipped a case for Wong Yik. After the last shipment, which formed the subject of the charge, the firm had gone bankrupt, and he was unable to produce Wong Yik.

Judgment

In his judgment, his Worship said that he was satisfied that defendant had proved his bona fides as far as possible. He had done everything except producing direct evidence in substantiation. Although the section under which the defendant was charged threw the onus of proof on the defendant, it could not be construed that a Magistrate must convict in every case where a defendant is unable to discharge this onus through very good reasons.

The Magistrate held that since the firm had gone bankrupt, it was impossible for defendant to produce the man who had given him the case for shipment. He was also satisfied that the defendant could not have had the means of ascertaining for himself what the case contained before shipment was made.

He discharged the defendant.

The gross value of the late Mr. Bernard Baron's estate is of the value of \$4,944,820, with net personalty, \$4,794,976. The duties on the property on this valuation will amount to \$2,115,000.

A great fall of cliff crashed on to the beach at Mundesley, on the Norfolk coast. Part of the land, which belonged to farmers, constituted a cornfield. A man who was harrowing at the time and two people on the beach had narrow escapes from death.

The Company's balance sheet has been before you and shows quite clearly how the various assets of the Company have been written down to a conservative market value and I do not propose to go through them in detail.

In addition to this the Company as you will see has no reserve and this is another factor which your Directors have taken into consideration when deciding on the reduction and it is hoped after the reduction has been completed to show at the next annual general meeting a balance sheet with a reasonable reserve.

The Company's shares are, as you know, fully paid up and therefore as the proposed reduction of capital does not involve any reduction of assets except in book value it is not a matter which can affect the Company's creditors.

This will facilitate the Court in granting the necessary order confirming the resolution and when the formality has been complied with, your Directors feel that at the next annual general meeting they will be able to put before you a sound balance sheet showing the capital of the Company at a figure more nearly in relation to the market value of its assets. I now formally move the following Extraordinary Resolution

"That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$400,000 divided into 40,000 shares of \$10 each to \$200,000 divided into 40,000 shares of \$5 each and that such Reduction be effected by cancelling the capital which has been lost or is unrepresented by available assets to the extent of \$5 per share upon each of the 40,000 shares which have been issued and are now outstanding and by reducing the nominal amount of all the shares in the Company's capital from \$10 to \$5 per share."

The Resolution was put to the meeting and the Chairman announced that the confirmatory meeting will take place on November 4, 1929.

The proposed amalgamation of the parish of West Wickham with the urban district of Beckenham, and the conversion of Bromley from a rural district in which West Wickham is at present included, to an urban district, are questions to be raised at a dual local inquiry next month.

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